

# Happy NEW YEAR

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### HIGHWAY HAZARD AT STEEL BRIDGE TO BE RELIEVED

Plans to realign both approaches to the dangerous Niles Canyon highway underpass at the Southern Pacific bridge a mile east of Niles were revealed this week. A Division of Highways crew is now making a survey of the project, for which approximately \$50,000 has been allocated by the state for expenditure in 1949.

On the northern approach, the roadway will be moved in as close as possible to the hillside, while on the southern approach it will be moved nearer to Alameda Creek. This will partially correct the present hazard of the blind "S" curve by extending drivers' visibility through the underpass.

The work will result only in improvement and not full correction of the problem, since rebuilding and widening of the underpass and relocation of the highway to eliminate the curve entirely would be necessary to correct the hazard. This would cost \$150,000 or more, which the Division of Highways considers an impossible expenditure at this time.

The Division's decision to improve the situation at the underpass follows repeated efforts of the Niles Chamber of Commerce and The Register to persuade state authorities of the danger to traffic.

### rites Held For ALVARADO WOMAN

Funeral services were said Tuesday for Mrs. Frances Gomes of Alvarado, who died December 23.

Rites were held from the Chapel of the Palms mortuary in Centerville at 8 a.m., followed by 9:30 mass at St. Anne's Church in Alvarado. Interment was at Holy Ghost Cemetery, Centerville.

A native of Fayal, the Azores, she had resided in Alvarado for 50 years. She was the wife of the late Joseph Gomes.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Evelyn Gomes of Alvarado and Mrs. Mamie Roderick of Alviso; two grandchildren, Joseph Rose of Alviso, and Mrs. Celestine Wright, of Hayward; and Joseph Roderick and Francis Roderick of Alviso; one great-grandchild, Joella Rose of Alvarado. In addition she is survived by three sisters in the Azores Islands.

She was a member of Centerville S.P.R.S.I.

### TWO BADLY HURT IN TRUCK-TRAIN SMASHUP TUESDAY

Two Irvington residents were taken to Community Service Hospital, San Jose, in "serious" condition Tuesday afternoon, after the truck in which they had been riding crashed with a Southern Pacific locomotive at the S. P. tracks and Irvington-Mission San Jose highway in Irvington.

They are Edward Jones, 59, who underwent surgery for severe chest injuries yesterday, and his wife, 62, whose condition is also described as serious.

They were injured when a 1947 Chevrolet truck, driven by Henry E. Lauberge, dairyman, of 214 Driscoll Road, Irvington, was hit and smashed by a locomotive towing a second engine to West Oakland railroad yards at 1:50 Tuesday afternoon.

The truck was pushed 15 yards, and turned on its side in a ditch by the force of the impact. The front end was badly smashed in the mishap.

Engineer and fireman of the engine, William J. Price and Otis G. Smith, both of Oakland, came through the accident unscathed. Lauberge was taken to San Jose for treatment, but later released. Lauberge and Smith gave conflicting reports to sheriff's deputies. Victims were taken to San Jose as to circumstances of the accident, by the Dallas Paul ambulance service of Centerville.

### IRVINGTON C. OF C. CANCELS MEETING

Because of conflicting New Year's activities, the Irvington Chamber of Commerce will not hold its regular Tuesday noon meeting next week.

That was the decision reached by chamber members at last Tuesday's meeting, at which time a motion that an audit of club books be presented for approval at the next meeting, January 11, was made and approved.

In other matters, the Chamber heard reports on Irvington Christmas party events, and ordered thanks given Irvington merchants and residents for contributions to the party fund and other acts of participation.

### MAN DIES IN YULE WEEK-END ACCIDENT

Washington Township was the scene of one traffic fatality over the Christmas holidays, when an Oakley man met his death as his car plunged over a 100-foot embankment on the Escobar grade near Mission San Jose.

Dead is John A. Alameda, 71, of Oakley. He apparently lost control of his car Sunday afternoon, then smashed down the embankment.

A passenger in the car, Amos L. Bowmer, 39, also of Oakley, was uninjured in the mishap. Both men were returning from a visit with Palo Alto relatives.

### DRUIDS OBSERVE ALAMEDA NIGHT

Approximately 100 members of the Grove and Circle, Centerville Druids, were in attendance Monday when "Tony Alameda Night" ceremonies were observed.

M. J. Bernardo, life-long friend of Tony, acted as toastmaster during the meeting, which was followed by a banquet with roast ham as the main entrée.

"Tony started from scratch," Bernardo stated during the evening, "signed up to become a member of the Centerville Grove some 30 odd years ago, and since that time has been an outstanding leader in the Grove. In private and public life Tony has been outstanding; a man of character and ability, always extending a helping hand to those who are less fortunate than he."

Other members who eulogized Alameda were Judge E. A. Quarlesma, Allan Walton, Joseph R. Nunes, Manuel Oliveira, Grand First Bard of the Circle Della Piccacio, Leland Martin, Jim and Josie Parodi, Louis Cardozo, Henry Gomes, Leila Santos, Elsie Madruga, Joe Martin, and Joe Silva. Mae Rogers and Caroline Brown, comedienne of the Circle, performed a skit for the meeting.

### LEGION DANCE ON NEW YEAR'S EVE

Washington Township Post, American Legion, is sponsoring a New Year's Eve dance to be held at the Veterans Memorial Building in Niles. The affair is being arranged by Art Gomes and Jack Pool.

Music will be furnished by the Four G's band. It is open to the public.

### SPORTSMEN GROUP SELECTS FRANK MARTIN NEW PREXY

Headed by newly elected president Frank Martin, a full new slate of officers for the Newark Sportsmen's Club formally will be installed January 29, at a dinner and barbecue to be held at the Newark Youth Center.

Candidates were elected at last Tuesday night's club meeting held at the Youth Center.

Serving with Martin will be Lloyd Hayes, vice-president; Joe Machado, recording secretary; Chris Mikkelsen, financial secretary; Bert Overeen, sergeant-at-arms; Manuel Amaral, social chairman; and Sid Gaunt, field chairman.

Martin will replace Gaunt as club prexy, while Gaunt supplants Martin as field chairman. Other officers, with the exception of Hayes, who will replace Art Kleine as vice-president, were re-elected to respective posts in balloting.

The dinner and installation will be under the direction of Machado and Amaral, who will take charge of all arrangements. Tentative plans call for an outdoors steak barbecue, similar to the installation party held last year.

All club members and wives are invited to the affair. The dinner, slated to start at 7:30, will be followed immediately by installation rites.

Officers serve one year terms. Club members heard reports on two events held recently, an annual club Christmas turkey shoot, and a dance, which showed both affairs have netted the club a financial profit.

A film, "Elk for the Future," was ordered secured for showing before the Newark school children and all interested parties sometime next spring.

### YOUTH FELLOWSHIP TO GIVE NEW YEAR'S DANCE

The Youth Fellowship of the Niles Congregational Church is giving a New Year's Eve party for all young people in the community who care to attend. The affair will be held in the recreation building of the church, with chaperones in attendance.

The dance, free of charge to those who attend, will be climaxed in the serving of refreshments which may be purchased at a nominal fee.

### LIGHT COT CROP IS FORECASTED

Forecasts for a light apricot crop next year were told the Berryessa Prune and Apricot Association this week, by Everett Cottle, field representative for the group.

Dry weather, he explained, has retarded appearance of double buds, although single buds are plentiful. He expressed doubt over how many buds will mature this year.

He added that likelihood for a good dried apricot market is high, since stocks of all but standard dried apricots have been sold.

The meeting was held Tuesday night at Washington Union High School.

### MORE FEED AVAILABLE DURING COMING YEAR

For the first time in five years, supplies of grain, mill feeds and high protein feeds not only are sufficient to maintain present livestock and poultry numbers at current rates, but they will allow for moderate increases in animal food production. These are the findings of a committee of 23 agricultural college representatives from all sections of the United States, published by the American Feed Manufacturers Association.

### REGISTER GAINS NATIONAL PROMINENCE

#### IRVINGTON ALSO COMES INTO LIMELIGHT

The Township Register gained national prominence this week in an editorial in the magazine section of The Christian Science Monitor, a daily paper of world-wide circulation printed in Boston.

The editor of The Monitor picked up an editorial out of The Township Register of several weeks ago, and thought it worthy of comment. Readers who follow The Register regularly will probably remember the editorial. It was a "human interest" piece telling of a friendly and heart-warming deed of the Irvington Chamber of Commerce.

This is what the editor of the Christian Science Monitor wrote:

"The Niles editor says: 'As a people we've tried, in recent years, to give the county, the state, and the federal government the burdens of charity. But the human heart cannot delegate its feelings. And all of us like to be friends in need.'"

"The incident which brought that thought into expression was the spontaneous contribution of

### NEW BRIDGE OVER ALAMEDA CREEK IS OPEN TO TRAFFIC

Traffic from Niles to the Canyon Heights area got the "go ahead" sign over the new bridge across Alameda Creek Wednesday, as crews put finishing touches on bridge approaches to ready the project for official opening by January 14.

The new structure, 398 feet long, will replace the two span steel truss Harding Bridge over the creek.

Crews of Saputo and Feeble Contractors, San Jose, have been working on the job since last April. Total cost of the project is \$135,000.

The new bridge, which has a rigid frame of reinforced concrete, has a 24-foot roadway surface flanked by four foot sidewalks. It is built in two complete sections joined in the middle, to allow for expansion and contraction.

Work is now progressing on grading and paving of bridge approaches, and laying of sidewalks.

The bridge crosses the lower fork of Alameda Creek, on the Niles Canyon Road.



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THE VICTORS



NEW DRAFT



OREGON FLOOD



CONQUERING WELL



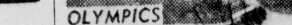
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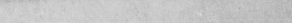
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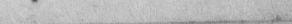
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HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

TO ONE AND ALL

**WALTER CONNOLLY'S**  
APPLIANCES AND  
HOME FURNISHINGS  
IRVINGTON  
Across from School  
Phone Irvington 80-W

## 1948 Was Eventful Year in Township

When Father Time gives way to Cherub 1949 this Saturday night the horns and sirens ushering in the New Year in Washington Township will perhaps bear more significance, if not more noise, than similar noisemakers elsewhere. The accent certainly will be on the future—expansion, progress and improvement. The great strides made here during the year just passed are only a sample of the progress that lies ahead, if present signs are correctly read. But let's review the past year. Let's take a look at the news events, of personalities who have affected, in one way or another, the history of Washington Township in the year 1948.

### JANUARY

Increase in telephone service rates for the entire township were announced that month by William B. Sutherland, manager of the Hayward Office. Effective January 1, the new rates averaged between 50 and 75 cents increase in each of the eight telephone exchanges in Washington Township.

Six Township residents who received private pilot licenses following completion of flight training at Center Field, Centerville, according to Don Hubbard, director of G.I. training at the field, were Harry Cesari, Sal Perez and Al Perry of Niles, James Caldwell and Rice Camplain of Irvington, and Bob Ussery of Newark.

Clarence E. Black, 19, sailor stationed at Moffat Field, was arraigned before Judge Allen G. Norris, December 31, on a charge of murder, and at a later preliminary hearing was certified to superior court for prosecution on the count. Black was charged with the Christmas Day slaying of a sailor companion, Jake Lee Banks, 22, during a wild melee in an Irvington

tavern. The pair and a third companion, William Dwyer, 20, who was being held as a material witness to the affair, were said to have started a scuffle with several civilians after being ordered from the premises. Banks was fatally stabbed by a knife allegedly wielded by Black during the battle. All three were AWOL from their base at the time.

A series of six lectures designed for parents of Washington Township started January 12 at Washington Union High School under joint sponsorship of the Washington Evening School and Township P.T.A. organizations.

A new \$450,000 highway bridge over Alameda Creek in Niles Canyon was opened to traffic January 16.

Kenneth Garcia was elected president of the Decoto Chamber of Commerce, succeeding P. J. Faletti. Also elected were Don Martin, vice-president; Bernie Joseph, secretary, Pete Decoto, treasurer; and Howard Bradbury, Alfred Ferreira and Frank Borge, directors.

Plans were launched for construction of a new \$500,000 parochial school at St. Mary's of the Palms, near Mission San Jose.

Petitions calling for the formation of a Hospital district for Washington Township were prepared for circulation here, according to Ed E. Enos, chairman of the Washington Township Hospital Planning Committee.

As a result of increase in receipts during 1947, Irvington and Mission San Jose post offices were raised from third to second class rating, while Decoto fell back from second to third class.

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**NEWS**  
from Walt

Presentation of this ad at our store will entitle you to a free ticket on the Crosley station wagon to be given away here next spring.

**Niles Furniture Company**

NILES:

601 Main Street Phone 4453

GANDHI'S DEATH

## Talk of the Township

By JIM RITCH

A note of nostalgia was struck this Yuletide season, when a certain Southern Alameda County weekly newspaper blossomed forth last week with empty pages of "bona fide" Christmas greeting ads, which bore an astonishing resemblance to the 1947 cluster of best wishes.

That resemblance is perhaps clearest in ads in which (a) The Hidden Valley Dude Ranch wishes everyone a Merry Christmas, 1947; (b) Irvington Theater brings best wishes, signed Eddie Simmons, who hasn't operated the showhouse for a long time; and (c) Niles Justice of the Peace E. A. Quaresma, who has held office for nearly two years, is demoted to "A. Quaresma, Township Judge-Elect."

Another contrast is made by the assertion of several township mer-

chants that ads ordered one, two, or even three years ago, suddenly and mysteriously have re-appeared this joyous Noel season.

Just as big Oaks from little acorns grow, so apparently do a certain paper's Christmas ads, from the files of yesteryear.

UNWELCOME "GUESTS" careened into Tony Alameda's front lawn over the Christmas holidays, leaving fresh deep tire tracks as a calling card . . . but slammed their car into reverse and made a getaway before Tony could catch them.

SAME THING happened to Irvington's traffic sign in front of Pond's Drug Store, when a motorist failed to negotiate the curve, and completely wrecked the sign, snapping it off at ground level . . . but don't despair—if you get lost, and need directions, the sign is laying on the Union Street sidewalk, to the side of R. J. Wright's office. Might be pretty hard to figure out which arrow points along which road if you're a stranger, though.

ONE ROSE BOWL canceller turns up in Frank Mayer, who's not had too much trouble in disposing of his four ducats.

Arlington National Cemetery contains 408 acres.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

No. 105683 Dept. 4  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned, NORMAN ROSE and PATRICIA A. ROSE, Executor and Executrix, respectively, of the Will of JAMES ROSE, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said decedent to, within six months after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the office of NORRIS & BROWN, 114 North Main Street, Centerville, California, which place the undersigned select as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 27, 1948.  
NORMAN ROSE  
PATRICIA A. ROSE  
Executor and Executrix of the Will of James Rose, deceased.

NORRIS & BROWN  
Attorneys for Executors  
114 North Main Street,  
Centerville, California.  
Date of first publication: Dec. 31, 1948. D31,J7,14,21



### WE BECAME CULTURED

"Look," I said to the boys, "get ready for a big surprise. We're going to take you over to the museum and expose you to culture."

"What is it? I don't want it!" wailed my youngest.

"It isn't anything you get—like measles or something," I consoled him. "It's paintings—a whole lovely museum full of the world's greatest paintings that were hidden in the German salt mines during the war. They are," I added impressively, "worth eighty million dollars. Imagine, eighty MILLION!"

"Gee whiz," scoffed by eldest, "Who'd pay eighty million for a lot of old pictures?"

I looked at his father triumphantly. "See, what did I tell you? He NEEDS culture."

So we went. We arrived at the revolving door of the museum in a dripping condition as the day, perversely, was stormy.

The revolving door presented the first difficulty. My youngest, unused to such civilized customs, became completely absorbed in it. A line of other "culture-vultures" began forming to the right while he merrily whirled around.

"We've got to get him out of there!" I said hysterically to his father.

One of the bystanders, shivering, agreed with me. "My God, do we have to stand here all day while that kid goes around?"

I walked away, as I have a habit of doing when they become just too, too embarrassing, in the pretense that I don't even know them. His father, however, shouting dire threats of "no movies for a month" managed to extricate him from the dizzying pastime.

We went in, to be met by a vanguard of M.P.'s, all spic and span in their full dress, and looking as if they meant business. The boys were immediately subdued.

"There are 63 of those M.P.'s here," I said to the boys warningly.

We ran into an imposing sign. DO NOT TAKE INTO THE EXHIBIT ROOMS OVERSHOES, HATS, BAGS, PACKAGES, CAMERAS, CHEWING GUM, OR UMBRELLAS.

I stripped myself of all this impedimenta and began to feel like Gypsy Rose Lee.

The boys, naturally, rebelled at the "No Chewing Gum" regulation. They finally disposed of their 'wads' however, under the direct glare of a dignified M.P.

We went up to pay. "Ah," said the cashier cordially, "two adults and two children."

"Haha," whispered my youngest, nudging his brother in great glee. "They didn't have to pay for you. You're still a kid."

My eldest drew himself up to his fourteen-year-old dignity and clenched his fist. "Say that again," he hissed threateningly.

"See that M.P. over there watching you?" I asked the boys sweetly. "Just try to start a fight in here. Just TRY it!" This was one time I had them at a disadvantage.

"There!" I breathe ecstatically. "Look at those Rembrandts! A whole room full of them. Boys, you will never—in all your lives—see such a sight again!"

My eldest let out a comment that sounded suspiciously like "I hope not."

We stood around in front of the paintings, watching in awe, just as other groups of people were doing—many of them clutching children by the arms, with that "this is good for you" determination written on their faces.

"Such form, such harmony of colors, such perfect blending of light and shadows!" I breathed. (Well, you just can't stand there like a block of wood, and I have found in the past that this little phrase makes people look at you as though you knew something about art.)

"The ladies are too fat," said my youngest loudly. "Mom, why were they so fat in those days? And why didn't they wear clothes?"

Not being able to explain any of this to an enquiring ten-year-old mind, I simply let the matter drop.

"Just look at that excellent Botticelli. It's the famous Venus," I said, gazing in admiration.

"Yeah, its not so bad," said my eldest grudgingly. "At least she's not fat like the others."

"And there is a Titian," I went on enthusiastically, trying to instill

some enthusiasm into the boys.

"I'm hungry," said my youngest flatly.

"Me too," chimed in my eldest. "You simply cannot become carnal at a time like this!" I exploded. "Just look at these beautiful paintings. You'll never see them again."

"Promise?" asked my youngest, seriously.

We "did" the rest of the famous paintings, and, imbued with the spirit of culture, I led them around through the rest of the museum.

We came to Napoleon's throne. Their interest was finally aroused.

"Did he really sit there, Mom?" My youngest looked at the worn velvet seat with awe in his eyes.

"He certainly did," I replied.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### CERTIFICATE OF CO-PARTNERS DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FICTITIOUS NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned are co-partners transacting business in the County of Alameda, State of California, having our principal place of business at 2181 Thornton Avenue, Newark, California, under the fictitious firm name and style of "NEWARK HARDWARE & APPLIANCE"; that we are the only persons having any interest in said business, and that the places of our residence are hereinafter set forth following our respective signatures hereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 22nd day of November, 1948.

LOUIS CALDERA  
Residing at Newark, California.  
NORMAN P. LUNA  
Residing at Decoto, California.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, ss.

ON THIS 22nd day of November, in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty-eight, before me, E. A. QUARESMA, a Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared LOUIS CALDERA and NORMAN P. LUNA, known to me to be the persons described in and whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

E. A. QUARESMA  
Notary Public in and for said County of Alameda, State of California.  
(SEAL) D3,10,17,24,31

CERTIFICATE OF CO-PARTNERS DOING BUSINESS UNDER A FICTITIOUS NAME

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned are partners transacting business in the State of California under the fictitious firm name and style of "MARTIN & DIAZ", having our principal place of business in the Town of Decoto, County of Alameda, State of California.

The full names and places of residents of all the members of said partnership are as follows: DON MARTIN, 931 10th Street, Decoto, California.

S. DIAZ, 103 9th Street, Decoto, California.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 22nd day of December, 1948.

DON MARTIN  
S. DIAZ

STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
COUNTY OF ALAMEDA, ss.

ON THIS 22nd day of December, in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and forty-eight, before me, E. A. QUARESMA, a Notary Public in and for the County of Alameda, State of California, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared DON MARTIN and S. DIAZ, known to me to be the persons described in and whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and they acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

E. A. QUARESMA  
Notary Public in and for said County of Alameda, State of California.  
(SEAL) D24,31,J7,14,21

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the undersigned, TSUTOMU BEN MATSUMOTO, Executor of the Will of KATSUSABURO MATSUMOTO, who was also known as K. MATSUMOTO, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said decedent to, within six months after the first publication of this notice, either file them, with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda, or present them, with the necessary vouchers, to me, at the office of NORRIS & BROWN, 114 North Main Street, Centerville, California, which place the undersigned select as the place of business in all matters connected with said estate.

Dated: December 8, 1948.  
TSUTOMU BEN MATSUMOTO  
Executor of the Will of Katsusaburo Matsumoto, who was also known as K. Matsumoto, deceased.

NORRIS & BROWN,  
Attorneys for Executor,  
114 North Main Street,  
Centerville, California.  
Date of first publication: Dec. 10, 1948. D10,17,24,31

feeling a sudden surge of motherly pride in this interest in things historic. I was just about to turn away when I noticed him edging up to the throne.

"Don't!" I cried. "Don't DARE put that wad of gum there! And where," I added weakly, "did you get it anyhow? You were supposed to leave it outside." I took the sticky mess gingerly, and dropped it into my purse, after looking vainly around for any other receptacle.

We finally made our way out. "Boy! Now we can have a hot dog!" said my eldest.

"And maybe an ice-cream cone," added my youngest, with elation in his voice.

"I give up!" I said, sinking into the car seat in an exhausted condition. "You can both remain uncultured the rest of your lives, for all I care. At least you can't say I didn't try." Tears of self-pity welled in my eyes. I got my hanky out of my purse, and dabbed at my eyes.

"Oh, oh!" I shrieked, and started wildly pulling chewing gum off my eyelashes.

Culture? You can have it!

"FOREVER NILES"

Rumor has it that the famed novelist, Kathleen Winsor, was seen in Niles this week—partaking of refreshments. One cannot help but wonder if she is looking in Niles for material for another "Amber!"

Well, they say anything can happen in Niles, and the fair Kathleen has likely gotten wind of it.

Say you saw it in The Register.

### LEGAL NOTICE

#### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONSTRUCTION OF SANITARY SEWERS IN ASSESSMENT DISTRICT NO. 1, IRVINGTON SANITARY DISTRICT, ALAMEDA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA.

Pursuant to the provisions of "Improvement Act of 1911" and to Resolution Ordering the Work of the Sanitary Board of the Irvington Sanitary District, Alameda County, State of California, directing this Notice, said Sanitary Board hereby invites sealed bids and proposals for doing the work and improvements described in Resolution of Intention No. 12 N. S. in the above-entitled matter, of the Sanitary Board of the Irvington Sanitary District, Alameda County, State of California, adopted November 23, 1948 and said Resolution of Intention No. 12 N. S. is hereby referred to for a description of said work and improvement, the grades to which it is to be done, a description of the district to be assessed to pay the costs and expenses thereof, the bonds to be issued, and for all further particulars contained in said Resolution of Intention No. 12 N. S. Reference is hereby further made to the plans and specifications and detailed drawings for said work on file in the office of the Secretary of said Sanitary Board, in accordance with which said work shall be done.

Copies of the plans and specifications and detailed drawings may be obtained by prospective bidders at the office of the Secretary of said Sanitary District, located at 103 Mission Street, Irvington, Alameda County, California.

Notice is further given that the Sanitary Board of the Irvington Sanitary District, Alameda County, State of California, has heretofore established a prevailing rate and scale of wages in accordance with law, which rate and scale is as follows, to-wit:

#### SCHEDULE OF PER DIEM WAGE RATES

Craft or Type of Work	Rate Per Hour
Bricklayers (6 hrs.)	2.25
Bricklayers Hodcarriers (6 hrs.)	2.16
Carpenters (8 hrs.)	2.16
Cement Finishers (8 hrs.)	2.15
Electrical Workers (8 hrs.)	2.40
Operating Engineers (8 hrs.)	2.375
Blade Grader Operator (finish work)	1.875
Concrete Mixer (up to one yard)	1.875
Concrete Mixer (over one yard)	1.175
Hoisting on building (material)	1.175
Oilers and Firemen	2.225
Roller Operators	2.225
Shovel Operators (up to and incl. one yard)	2.525
Shovel Operators (over one yard)	2.625
Tractor Operators	2.225
Trenching Machine Operators	2.275
Glaziers — Building Construction (8 hrs.)	2.00
Ironworkers (8 hrs.)	2.25
Structural and Bridge	2.25
Welders	2.25
Structural	2.25
Housesmiths, Arch. Iron	2.00
Housesmiths, Reinf. concrete or rodmen	2.00
(All Foremen — 25c per hour extra)	
Laborers (8 hrs.)	1.525
Building Laborers	1.525
General Laborers	1.525
Concrete Pan Installing	1.175
Concrete workers (wet and dry)	1.525
Jackhammer Operators (and handlers of pneumatic tools)	1.65
Vibrators	1.65
Truck Laborers	1.525
Watchmen working	1.525
Vitrified and concrete pipe laying	1.775
Sewer	1.525
Form Strippers	1.525
Lathers (6 hrs.)	3.00
Lumber handlers and helpers (8 hrs.)	1.525
Lumber Clerks	1.55
Painters (7 hrs.)	2.15
Plasterers (6 hrs.)	2.50
Plasterers Hodcarriers	2.25
Plumbers (8 hrs.)	2.375
Roofers (8 hrs.)	2.00
Sheet Metal Workers (8 hrs.)	2.125
Steamfitters (8 hrs.)	2.375
Teamsters (8 hrs.)	1.58125
Dump Truck (under four yards)	1.70625
Dump Truck (over 4 and under 6 yards)	1.80
Dump Truck (over 6 and under 8 yards)	2.175
Drivers of Tank Truck or Water Truck (400 Gal. or less)	1.58125
Drivers of Tank Truck or Water Truck (excess of 400 Gal.)	1.70625
Road Oiler	1.70625
Boatman	1.6125

#### OVERTIME RATES

Bricklayers: Double Time.  
Building Laborers: Time and one-half first four hours, double time thereafter.  
Cement Finishers: Time and one-half first two hours, double time thereafter.  
Electrical Workers: Double Time.  
Glaziers: Time and one-half first two hours, double time thereafter.  
Operating Engineers: Double Time.  
Iron Workers: Double Time.  
Lathers: Double Time.  
Painters: Double Time.  
Plasterers and Plasterer's Tender: Double Time.  
Plumbers: Time and one-half first four hours, double time thereafter.  
Roofers: Time and one-half first four hours, double time thereafter.  
Sheet Metal Workers: Double Time.  
Steamfitters: Double Time.  
Waterproofing Roofers: Time and one-half first four hours, double time thereafter.

The Contractor shall, in the performance of the work and improvements, conform to the Labor Code of the State of California and other laws of the State of California applicable thereto, with the exception only of such variations as may be required under the special statutes pursuant to which proceedings hereunder are taken and which have not been superseded by the provisions of the Labor Code. Preference to the labor shall be given only in the manner provided by law. Veterans and resident local labor shall be given preference by the contractor wherever possible, if skill and working ability permit without increasing the ultimate cost of the work and improvement to the Irvington Sanitary District and its officers.

All proposals or bids shall be accompanied by a check payable to said Irvington Sanitary District and certified by a responsible bank for an amount which shall not be less than ten (10%) per cent of the aggregate of the proposal or by a bond for said amount and so payable, signed by the bidder and two sureties, all to justify, before any officer compe-

ble the said amount and over and above all statutory exemptions. Said proposals or bids shall be delivered to the Secretary of the Sanitary Board of the Irvington Sanitary District, on or before the 18th day of January, 1949, at the hour of 8:00 P.M. of said date, at the office of said Secretary of the Sanitary Board located at 103 Mission Street, Irvington, Alameda County, California, said time being not less than ten (10) days from the time of the first publication and posting of this Notice. Bids will be opened on said day and hour. The Sanitary Board of the Irvington Sanitary District reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or bids, should it deem this necessary for the public good, and also the bid of the bidder who has been delinquent or unfaithful in any former contract with the Irvington Sanitary District.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1948.

R. J. WRIGHT  
Secretary of the Sanitary Board, Irvington Sanitary District, Alameda County, California. D24,3

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to every good American. America is the LAND OF HOME OWNERS. Let your rent money be buying your own home

### WEEK'S BEST BUY

First class built home. 1940. 2 bedrooms, garage, laundry room, work room. Large yard. Fine neighbors. Community of all nice homes. Occupy by NEW YEAR'S. Occupy by Key at my office.

Beautiful stucco 3 bedroom home with 96 foot frontage on highway. Lot 140 feet deep. Fine well, pump and tankhouse. Irvington. \$12,500.

New, in excellent condition. Thornton Avenue, Centerville. 2 bedrooms, hardwood floors, dual wall furnace. Attached garage. Vacant. Move in by New Year's. Terms you can pay. Key at my office.

New 2 bedroom home. Irvington. Large living room and breakfast nook. Roomy closets and lots of them. Fireplace. Floor furnace. All utilities. \$9,900. Terms.

Very nice, 2 story, 8 room home. Lots of buildings. Fruit. Lot 250 foot frontage on Main St. Irvington. \$8,250. Worth more.

Niles home, 100 foot chicken house. 1/2 acre fruit. \$6,850.

A home you will love. Ready March 1. Everything you could desire. 3 bedroom Holland built. On 1 1/2 lots. See plan in my office.

Centerville, 3 bedroom home built especially for present owner by Payton. Everything your heart can desire. Let us show you.

Niles highway home on 2 lots. Hardwood floor, large living room. Very nice. Immediate possession. \$9,500. Terms.

3 1/2 acres. 5 room home, barn, garage, chicken house, well. A buy at \$7,500. Terms.

16 acres slightly rolling. 6 room and full basement. Barn, garage, fruit. Some equipment. Well and spring. For sale or lease.

23 acres level. 6 room home, barn, other buildings. 2 wells, good water. 2 cows, heifer, 2 calves. 20 tons hay. A real buy. Make offer.

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# 1949

## New Year's Greetings

New Year's, with its noisy celebrations, its joviality and merry-making, draws us all much closer together. Have a grand time . . . and we'll be seeing you!

## E. H. FRICK PLUMBING CO.

Niles

## 1948 WAS EVENTFUL YEAR

(Continued from page 1)

Jack MacGregor, principal of the Newark School, was installed president of the Washington Township Men's Club, succeeding Harry Weber.

The Irvington Merchants lost a tight 1 to 0 contest to the Hayward All-Stars, in a play-off game for Southern Alameda County Baseball League championship.

Newark Elementary School was allocated \$101,856 by the state of California, under impoverished school district laws.

Dr. T. C. Wilson was named first president of the newly formed Center Field Pilots Association.

The Centerville post office moved into new quarters in a building erected by Allan Walton, Centerville druggist.

R. A. Jolly of Newark was named general chairman of the 1948 Red Cross Drive in Washington Township.

## FEBRUARY

Bob Rose, 19, son of Mrs. Bertha Rose of Irvington, signed a baseball contract for the coming year, with the Cleveland Indians. He was signed to play shortstop with one of the Indian farm teams.

Sid Gaunt was installed president of the Newark Sportsmen's Club at ceremonies held at the Newark Youth Center.

A voluntary "brown-out" for Washington Township residents was urged by officials of the Pacific Gas & Electric Co. to conserve electric power and dwindling water resources.

Conversion in the near future from magneto system to dial phones in Alvarado was announced by William B. Sutherland.

Work to control the flow of water in Alameda Creek was undertaken by the Alameda County Water District.

The Niles Chamber of Commerce gave support to a plan of the Niles Fire District to purchase a strip of land for the Niles Fire House from the Southern Pacific Company.

Notification that \$45,000 state aid was forthcoming was received by the Centerville Elementary School Board.

Announcement that petitions bearing signatures of more than

700 township residents favoring establishment of a Township Hospital District have been submitted to county authorities, was made by Edward E. Enos.

## MARCH

R. J. Wright of Irvington was reelected chairman of the Alameda County Planning Commission at a re-organization meeting held in the County Court House in Oakland.

Joseph Telles, veteran roadmaster at Mission San Jose, was appointed district maintenance superintendent of the Alameda County corporation yard at Niles, succeeding the late Joseph D. Gomes.

Washington Union High School's 1948 baseball aggregation opened its season by downing Jefferson High School, 4-2, on the latter's diamond.

Township industries were cutting down on work hours to comply with a 20 per cent power cut ordered by the P. G. & E. to conserve water resources.

Allan Walton was installed president of the Centerville Chamber of Commerce, succeeding Charles Wauhab.

The Irvington Improvement Club became the Irvington Chamber of Commerce, the name change being approved by club members.

Details for contemplated expansion of the Newark business district were revealed by A. G. Stoll, San Francisco sales agent, who said 30 business buildings were slated to be built.

Contract to erect a new bridge replacing the Harding Bridge across Alameda Creek was let by the County Board of Supervisors, at a bid price of \$135,885.

## APRIL

Rev. Donald Kirkbride was ordained as minister of the Niles Congregational Church at ceremonies conducted by Dr. Harley H. Gill, superintendent of Northern California Congregational Conference.

Warren Gravestock was elected president of the Niles Rotary Club, succeeding R. A. Jolly of Newark.

Students at Washington Union High School staged their annual Boxing Carnival.

Eleanor Olson, seventh grade student at Niles Elementary School, spelled down 24 students from nine township schools to win the second annual Township Register spelling contest.

Judge Ezra Decoto, 73, county superior judge and member of a pioneer township family for whom Decoto was named, died in Oakland.

Mabel Rogers of Alvarado was selected president of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Alvarado Eagles, Aerie No. 1695.

A crowd of more than 1500 persons was on hand to view the Second Annual Spring Round-up staged by the Washington Chapter, Future Farmers of America, in Memorial Stadium at the high school.

Four persons, two men and two women, perished in the crash of their light plane in the hills between Mission San Jose and Warm Springs. The quartet lost their lives when their plane failed to clear Monument peak and crashed about 200 feet from the crest.

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## CANYON HEIGHTS

By MARGARET COLE

## WED IN TEXAS

Congratulations to Pfc. Gaylor Miller, son of the E. A. Millers of Canyon Heights Drive. Gaylor and Cleo Hallford of Niles were married in Texas on December 23. Cleo has been visiting her sister in Texas and will return to Niles in about three months. Best wishes from all the neighbors, kids!

The E. A. Millers had as house guests last week Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Rhoads and family of Waterford, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Boley and family of Millbrae, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Pennington and family of Hayward, and Mr. and Mrs. Scott from Centerville. Mrs. Scott is Mrs. Miller's sister.

## MORE SURPRISES

Imagine having a birthday three days after Christmas! Little Susie Beckway celebrated her fourth on December 28 with the help of Susie McKiernan, Joanne Chrysler, Joan and Diane Briggs of Irvington, Gale Short of Irvington, Tommy Cole, Kenny Springer, Buddy Lee Lampley and Susie's little brother, Eddie Beckway.

## FROM DENVER

Mrs. C. V. Sickler of Denver, Colorado, arrived a week or so ago to spend Christmas with her daughter and son-in-law, the Ben Carvers of Canyon Heights Drive.

## CHRISTMAS-ING

The T. G. Marshalls, Tommy Jr. and Doug Marshall celebrated Christmas with the clan at the home of Mr. Marshall's sister, Mrs. Marion Vanier.

## AT HAYWARD

The Sid Westrays and family had Christmas dinner with Verba's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. Dames of Hayward.

## HAPPY HOLIDAY

The O. B. Stangers report a very satisfactory holiday, having had as house guests, daughter Joyce, daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gengler of Richmond. On Sunday the party was joined by Dovel White and Waine Johns.

## BUSY DAYS

The Clifford Whites have had a busy time. On Friday they and Mrs. White's father, who is visiting from Oklahoma, drove to Modesto to spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bower, their cousins. On Christmas Day they entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ray Teague and family and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Howard. On Sunday they were visited by Mr. and Mrs. Woodruff Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Howard and family of Oxnard, Calif., and the Charles Bowers from Modesto.

## FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST-NILES

A branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts. Regular services are held as follows:

SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 A.M.  
MORNING SERVICE 11 A.M.  
Wednesday Evening Testimony Meetings, 8 o'clock. Reading Room is open Tuesday and Saturday afternoons, 1 to 3, and Thursday evenings, 7 to 9. Church edifice is at Second and E Streets.

## 550 BOYS ENTER SCOUTING IN YEAR

More than 550 boys joined Scout units in the South District of the Oakland Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, during 1948, according to Don MacDougal, district executive.

Total boy membership in the district is now 1394, with over 500 registered adult leaders, MacDougal added.

The figures show that 443 Cub Scouts, 286 Boy Scouts and 37 Senior Scouts were recruited during the year. Thirteen organizations in the district, including the Washington Township Post, American Legion, adopted scouting as their youth program during this period. The Southern District includes Southern Alameda County and is serviced by MacDougal and Senior

## SUGAR BEET MEN REALIZE \$496,000

California again led the nation in production of beet sugar this year and produced 29 per cent of the total U. S. output, the California Crop and Livestock Reporting Service said this week.

The state production was from 173,000 acres, 2100 of which were in Alameda County.

California production was 2,768,000 tons, the county contributing 49,600 tons and returns to growers in the county approximately \$496,000.

For more than half a century Red Bluff was the head of navigation on the Sacramento River.

Field Executive Frank Buck, who has charge of organization, extension, and training.

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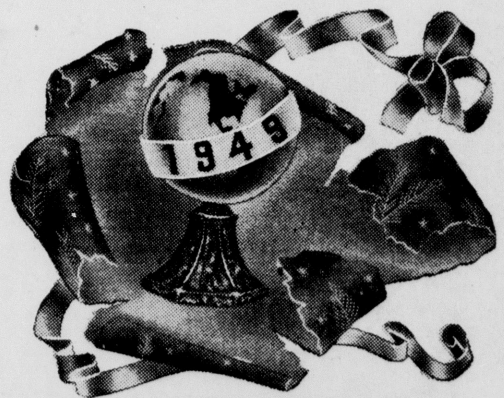
A YEAR CHOCK FULL OF THE BEST OF EVERYTHING IS OUR NEW YEAR WISH FOR YOU.

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Good Health! Good Cheer! JOE ADAMS

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a HAPPY New Year!

As the New Year is about to unfold, we greet old friends and new with the wish that 1949 may prove a bountiful and happy year.

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NEW CITY MARKET

Manuel Duarte

Niles

Damaged Document

Population of the county in January, 1941, was estimated by the Taxpayers' Association to be 523,-

Canada produced just over three million ounces of gold in 1947.

# KRAFTILE COMPANY

U. C. MEN DEVELOP  
LUNG CANCER TEST

A reliable and simple test for lung cancer, by microscopic examination of sputum samples, has been developed by a group of University of California Medical School physicians.

Drs. Seymour M. Farber, Mortimer A. Benloff, and A. K. McGrath have reported that when an adequate number of sputum samples—five or six—are available 90 per cent of lung cancer cases can be diagnosed.

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## February

- 3-National Airlines' 145 pilots strike before midnight over dismissal of pilot two years ago.
- 4-Defense secretary Forrestal consolidates navy and air force transport systems into military air transport service.
- 23-Sen. Glen H. Taylor (D., Ind.) quits party to become Henry Wallace's running mate.
- 24-Maj. Gen. Bennett E. Meyers goes on trial on charges of suborning perjury in senate investigation.

## March

- 1-House un-American activities committee accuses Dr. Edward U. Condon, director of the national bureau of standards, of being "one of the weakest links in our atomic security."
- 16-Five declares it has cleared 1,005,944 federal employees in loyalty program.
- 24-Gerhart Eisler sentenced to one to three years imprisonment in Washington for passport fraud.

## April

- 2-Both houses of congress override tax cut veto, pass omnibus foreign aid bill and adjourn for week.
- 10-House speaker Joseph W. Martin, Jr. intervenes in the 27-day strike of 400,000 soft-coal miners, and soon afterwards an important agreement is announced.
- 20-John L. Lewis is fined \$20,000 and UMW \$1,400,000 for contempt of federal court order.
- 30-Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg succeeds Gen. Carl A. Spaatz as air force chief.

## May

- 2-Gen. Dwight Eisenhower retires from the army.
- 8-President Truman celebrates his 64th birthday.
- 10-Thirty railroad brotherhoods call off threatened nation-wide strike after President Truman orders army to seize roads.
- 19-House passes Mundt-Nixon Communist-control bill, 319-54.
- 21-V. Gov. Dewey wins Oregon presidential primary over Harold E. Stassen.

## June

- 2-Senate votes to admit 200,000 European displaced persons to the U. S. during next two years.
- 4-House appropriates \$5,980,710.228 for foreign aid.
- 10-Senate passes two-year peacetime draft bill.
- 21-Thirtieth Republican convention meets in Philadelphia. Gov. Dewey of New York nominated for the presidency on fourth day, with Gov. Earl Warren, of California, as his running mate.
- 24-President Truman signs second peacetime selective service bill.

## July

- 5-Gen. Eisenhower reiterates he will not run for the presidency.
- 15-Soft coal prices rise 46 cents a ton.
- 18-President Harry S. Truman, 64, and Sen. Alben W. Barkley, 70, of Kentucky, are nominated for president and vice-president by the Democratic national convention in Philadelphia.
- 22-The Wallace third party, meeting in Philadelphia, officially names itself the Progressive Party, and nominates Henry Agard Wallace and Sen. Glen H. Taylor of Idaho as its candidates for president and vice-president.
- 26-Congress convenes in a special session called by President Truman.
- 30-Elizabeth Bentley, confessed wartime Communist spy, makes startling disclosures before a senate expenditures subcommittee.

## August

- 2-President Truman appoints three-man displaced persons commission to administer the DP act, under which 200,000 persons are to be admitted to the U. S.
- 7-Congress adjourns its two-week extra session.
- 19-U. S. demands ouster of Jacob Lomakin, Soviet consul general in New York.

## September

- 2-West coast ports paralyzed when CIO Int'l Longshoremen's union go on strike.
- 6-President Truman launches his reelection campaign.
- 18-Sen. Alben W. Barkley, President Truman's running mate, begins two-week 15-speech tour of eight eastern states.

## October

- 2-Population of the U. S. as of July 1 was estimated at 146,114,000 by U. S. census bureau.
- 4-Railroads grant 10-cent hourly wage increase to railway conductors and trainmen.
- 11-Federal interior secretary, Harold L. Ickes, and Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt endorse President Truman for reelection.
- 16-President Truman orders reserves brought up to full strength.

Top Ten Spot News  
Stories of 1948

(As selected by nation's weekly editors in Publishers' Auxiliary poll.)

President Truman and Democratic party score upset election victory.

Russians blockade Berlin, causing inauguration of airlift, heightening the "cold war."

Count Bernadotte assassinated during U. N. mission in Palestine.

Southern Democrats rebel to form states' rights or "Dixiecrat" party.

War in China nears climax with Communist troops marching to apparent victory and U. S. officials refusing to grant additional aid to Chiang Kai-shek.

High cost of living plagues Americans and their business with fourth round of wage boosts seen in offing.

Oksana Kasenkina leaps from Russian consulate window in desperate effort to escape impending return to native land, creating international episode.

Mohandas Gandhi assassinated by Hindu extremist, terminating life of service to India and cause of freedom.

United Nations proceedings bring into open many international problems and emphasize conflict between East and West.

Eightieth congress sets legislative background for party positions during election campaign.

## November

- 2-President Harry S. Truman, 64, Democrat, astounded the political world by defeating Gov. Thomas E. Dewey, 42, of New York, for reelection. The Democrats also swept back into control of both houses of congress and won 20 out of 32 governorships.
- 4-Rep. J. Parnell Thomas (R., N. J.) invoked his constitutional rights and refused to testify before a federal grand jury on charges that he had padded his congressional office payroll and collected kickbacks.
- 7-President Truman arrives in Key West, Fla., for a two-week post-election vacation.
- 18-First major blizzard of season sweeps through north central states, killing 13 persons.
- 25-Striking Longshoremen on both coasts return to work as shipping strike ends.

## December

- 3-Microfilm copies of secret state, war and navy department documents found in hollow pumpkin on Maryland farm are introduced as evidence in house un-American activities committee's spy investigation.
- 10-Whittaker Chambers, confessed former Communist courier and key figure in Communist espionage probe, resigned his position as a senior editor of Time magazine.
- 14-GOP Sen. Arthur Vandenberg is mentioned as possible successor to ailing George C. Marshall as secretary of state.



## Deaths

## January

- 4-Dr. Robert Ernest Hume, international authority on living relations.
- 8-Charles Michelson, publicity director of the Democratic national committee, 1929-43.
- 15-Josephus Daniels, 65, World War I navy secretary.
- 29-Mohandas K. Gandhi, 78, spiritual leader of the Hindus, slain by Hindu nationalist in New Delhi.
- 30-Orrville Wright, 76, co-inventor of heavier-than-air plane.

## February

- 9-Burns Mantle, drama critic, N. Y. Daily News editor of early collection of best plays.
- 23-Dr. John Robert Gregg, 80, inventor of Gregg system of shorthand.
- 24-Will Irwin, 74, newspaperman, novelist and playwright.
- 29-Tom Brown, Harrington Ward 57, London Times editor since 1941.

## March

- 8-Emily P. Bissell, 86, founder of U. S. Christmas seal drive in 1907.
- 25-Adm. Jose Reeves, 76, commander-in-chief of U. S. fleet, 1934-36.

## April

- 5-Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., 73.
- 7-Rep. Orville Zimmerman, 67 (Dem.)
- 15-Manuel Acuna Roxas, 56, first president of Philippine Republic.
- 23-Fred Astaire, 48, star of radio's "Breakfast in Hollywood."

## May

- 15-Mr. Edward Joseph Flanagan, 61, founder of Boys Town.
- 27-Rudolph H. Wurlitzer, 74, expresident of the musical instrument company.

## June

- 6-George Evan Roberts, 90, director of U. S. missions, 1897-1910-1914.
- 10-Lewis Schwellenbach, 53, secretary of labor since 1945.

## July

- 2-Richard Gerard Hush, 72, author of Sweet Adeline's lyrics.
- 5-Alma Adams Landis, 29, suicide in her Hollywood home.
- 15-Gen. John J. Pershing, 87, commander-in-chief of the AEF in World War I and only man holding rank of "General of the Armies."
- 23-David Mark Griffith, 73, pioneer film producer, and producer of "Birth of a Nation."
- 24-Frs. Eleanor Medill Patterson, 63, editor-publisher of Washington Times Herald.

## August

- 3-May DeSouza, 66, former light opera star.
- 13-Geo. F. Shafer, 59, Rep. governor of North Dakota.
- 16-George Herman (Babe) Ruth, 53, the "Sultan of Swat," who set or tied 76 baseball records.
- 27-Charles Evans Hughes, 86, former chief justice of U. S.

## September

- 1-Charles A. Beard, 73, historian, author of more than 30 books on American history.
- 11-Mohammed Ali Jinnah, 71, founder of Moslem Pakistan.
- 15-Jacques Gordon, 49, violinist and conductor, former child prodigy.
- 30-Mrs. Edith Kermit Carow Roosevelt, 87, widow of President Theodore Roosevelt.

## October

- 3-Thomas Augustine Daly, 77, poet, humorist, lecturer and journalist.
- 10-Mary Eaton, 46, former New York musical comedy star.
- 31-Mary Nolan, 42, film actress and Ziegfeld Follies beauty who won fame as Imogene (Bubbles) Wilson.

## November

- 9-Edgar Kennedy, 58, film comedian, one of the original "Keystone Kops," of cancer, in San Fernando, Calif.
- 23-Lewis R. (Hack) Wilson, 48, all-time National league home run king, 56 for Chicago in 1930, in Baltimore.

## December

- 3-Carl Lorenz Hagenbeck, 40, head of leading German circus family, in Hamburg.



## Sports

## January

- 1-Bowl football games: Rose Bowl: Mich. 49, USC 0; Sugar Bowl: Tex. 27, Ala. 7; Cotton Bowl: SMU 7, Penn. State 13; Orange Bowl: Ga. Tech. 20, Kans. 13; Shrine All-Star, East 40, West 9.
- 8-Joe Louis signs with 20th Century Sporting club to defend his heavy-weight title in New York bout June 23 against Joe Walcott.
- 12-Detroit Lions sold for about \$200,000 to a Detroit syndicate.

## February

- 7-Gilbert Dodds runs fastest indoor mile ever timed in Boston (4.08.1).
- 24-Featherweight title is retained by Willie Pep, who knocks out Humbert Sierra of Cuba in Miami.
- 27-Jersey Joe Walcott signs for a return Joe Louis bout June 23.

CLOTHING TAKEN  
IN BURGLARY HERE

Sheriff's deputies this week are looking for a "very good looking" burglar who evidently now is well dressed, thanks to clothing stolen from an Irvington apartment Sunday evening.

Deputies were told by Mrs. Prudence Henry, 55, 204 San Jose Avenue, Irvington, that a coat, suit, and other items of clothing had been taken from her nephew, Carmel Schranz, 28, who lives at the same address.

Upon investigation it was learned a "very good looking" man, dressed in dark clothing, had entered Irwin's Place, located in the front of the apartment building in which Mrs. Henry and Schranz reside, and had inquired as to the whereabouts of the residents.

Later, according to a waitress at the cafe, the man made two trips to apartments in the rear of the building, and returned with a bundle of clothes which he put in his car. When last seen, he was headed toward San Jose.

Although both Mrs. Henry and Schranz were in the building at the estimated time of the burglary, both stated they had heard nothing unusual.

The clothing, taken from a closet in Schranz's apartment, is valued at \$72.50.

## FIREMEN TO MEET

Warm Springs Firemen will meet next Monday night at the home of Department Fire Chief John F. Souza Jr. for a regular monthly session.

NO DAMAGE DONE IN  
CHIMNEY BLAZE

Prorapt action by Warm Springs firemen prevented possible serious damage to a home Christmas eve, when an uncleaned chimney flue began belching dangerous sparks, threatening the roof.

The department was called to the home of Andrew Azevedo, between Warm Springs and the southern county line, but eliminated the threat before any damage was caused.

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inexorable flight. We trust  
the New Year will see  
all your most cherished  
hopes come true.

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

1949

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NEW YEAR'S  
SPIRIT  
FOR THE  
NEXT  
TWELVE  
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with plenty of good  
things for the people  
of this community.

We're happy and  
proud to be a part  
of it. Best wishes!

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Niles

## 1948 WAS EVENTFUL YEAR

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Edward L. Rose of Irvington was elected president of the newly chartered Lady of Fatima Council No. 5, Y.M.I., at Mission San Jose.

### MAY

The Festival in honor of the Holy Ghost was held at the Holy Ghost Church in Centerville.

Bonds totaling \$160,000 to cover laying of sewers in the Mission San Jose area were sold by the Irvington Sanitary District.

Washington Union High School Huskies annexed the SCVAL Baseball Pennant, finishing their season with no defeats. Irving Alameda handled mound chores for the Huskies during the game, climaxing four years of high school pitching during which he had never been credited with a loss.

A San Jose test pilot was killed when his converted P-51 fighter plane exploded in mid-air between Newark and Centerville in full view of scores of township residents, then crashed in a field midway between the two towns.

Irving Alameda, pitcher, and Vernon Machado, short-stop, will play in the annual all-star North-South Games in San Jose. They were selected on the all SCVAL baseball nine.

The 1948 Washington Township Softball season opened at the Washington High School diamond, with a capacity crowd on hand.

Nancy Bishop, Washington High School senior, was installed Worthy Advisor of Pleasanton Assembly, No. 58, Rainbow Girls. Resignations of three township elementary school principals were received by their respective school boards. Resignations were received from E. B. Hodges of the Mission San Jose School; Mrs. Elsie Madruga, Alviso, and James Nunes of Warm Springs.

### JUNE

Establishment of a Washington Township Hospital District was ordered in balloting that month, with 2,588 votes cast for the proposition and 633 against.

A total of 215 students were graduated from nine township elementary schools.

At night ceremonies conducted in the Memorial Stadium on campus, 125 students of Washington Union High School were graduated.

The Holly Sugar plant near Alvarado closed briefly because of a shortage of sugar beets.

County authorities announced that because of legal requirements, the Washington Township Hospital District will be ineligible for tax monies until after July 1, 1949.

Mrs. Louis Cardoza was intalled as president of the De Guadalupe Institute, Y.L.I.

A Los Angeles pilot received minor cuts and bruises when his light airplane crashed and burned on the Warm Springs Airport.

### JULY

Gravel excavations at the Pacific Coast Aggregates pits near Niles were concluded that month, marking the end of a 38-year-long operation. The company began digging again the next week, however, at a new location near Centerville. Quayle Collinson, local superintendent, said that new equipment and methods will permit greater production than ever before.

Mission Firemen and Pacific States Steel softball teams clinched pennants in the American and National Leagues in Washington Township Softball Association play.

Agricultural Extension officials estimated up to 50 per cent of the local tomato crop has been affected by a mysterious tomato blight in the area. The blight is a root disease.

Fred Doering, 55, superintendent of the James Graham Manufacturing Co. in Newark, became the township's only traffic fatality over the 4th of July holiday week-end, when his car crashed near the Dumbarton Bridge.

A. E. Alameda was reelected president of the Washington Union High School Board of Trustees at a board reorganization meeting. S. G. Scott was elected clerk.

Annual Holy Ghost Festival ceremonies were held in Newark. Work began on a 40-room addition to the Masonic Home near Decoto. Work cost was set at \$525,000.

William Furtado Jr. of Centerville; J. Lagorio, Centerville; J. Galleagos, Mission San Jose; James Nunes, Centerville, and August Davilla won first place awards in agricultural competition at the Alameda County Fair.

Approximately 50 acres on the Ed Vargas Ranch near Mission San Jose burned in the township's first major grass fire of the summer.

Services were held for Private First Class Lupe M. Garcia, 27, Decoto, who was killed in action during World War II.

Legal status was granted the Washington Township Hospital District by the County Board of Supervisors.

Mrs. Florence Graber of Niles was named president of the Auxiliary of Washington Township Post, American Legion.

Township Draft Boards were set up, and notice that draft registration would start August 30 was given.

Niles lost one of its most beloved citizens with the passing of Mrs. Suzannah H. Dunlap, 96, who died in a San Jose hospital.

Earl A. Riley, Niles, was elected commander of the Washington Township Post, American Legion, succeeding Paul Hockinson of Centerville.

A survey of new homes and business houses completed in the township since the first of the year revealed the township was growing at the rate of six new homes per week, and one new business every 10 days.

### AUGUST

With underground water supplies in Washington Township dropping steadily at an average rate of one foot per week, farmers in the area are approaching what is indicated to be the most critical water shortage in years.

Central Chevrolet softballers whipped the Mission Firemen to cop the President's Trophy in post-season play.

The 87-year-old Stonybrook School District was consolidated with Palomares School District.

Football practices were started by the Washington Alumni grid team.

"Washington Township Night" ceremonies were observed at the Alameda County Centennial Pageant, "Glory in the Land."

George Kommes was installed Grand Knight of the Center-

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## ALVARADAN JAILED IN YULE KNIFING

Francisco B. Hernandez, 37, of Alvarado, was taken into custody by Alameda County Sheriff's Deputies last Friday night for investigation of an attack with a deadly weapon after a drinking brawl sent Joseph Reyenaso, 27, also of Alvarado, to Fairmont Hospital with a knife wound.

Deputies arrested Hernandez after witnesses reported he and Reyenaso had become involved in a fight after an altercation in an Alvarado tavern.

## LOCAL MEN GO EAST FOR TRAINING

Richard Brunelli, Niles, and Cyrus Caldeira, Decoto, left last Sunday for Flint, Michigan, where they will receive two months training courses in automobile mechanics at the General Motors institute school.

Both men are employed at the Central Garage in Centerville. They will return to their jobs here in March.

## BABY BORN TO LAWRENCE WALDTS

Patricia Jean Waldt, weighing 7 pounds, 7 ounces, checked in at Merritt Hospital in Oakland December 27, the first daughter of Deputy Sheriff and Mrs. Lawrence Waldt of Hayward, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Waldt Sr. of Newark.



HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

May every day in 1949  
bring joy and happiness  
to you and yours.  
We wish a Happy New  
Year to each and everyone.

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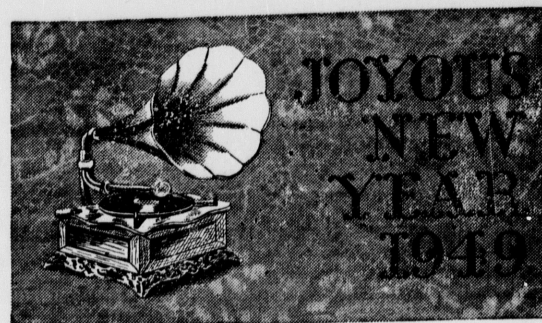
Good Health  
Good Cheer  
Good Friends  
Good Fortune—

May that be  
your lot in the  
coming year.



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spirit abroad in the land  
poised on the brink of the  
New Year. As the  
annals of its pages are  
recorded, we trust they  
will contain a saga of peace  
and contentment, joy  
and happiness, health and  
good fortune for you.

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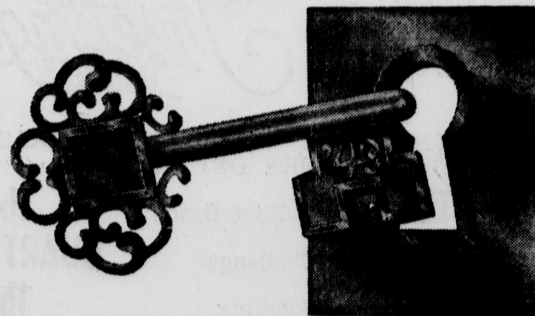
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our kindly  
greeting as  
the New Year  
dawns.

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New Year  
you ever had  
... Greetings  
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**TO ALL OUR FRIENDS**



We're hoping for a few more smiles for all of us as we look forward to another year with you...

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++ On the dawn of the New Year, we pause once again to express our best wishes for the coming twelvemonth.  
We trust you'll cut many fancy Figure Eights on your journey thru 1949.

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**REBEKAH NEWS**

The annual Christmas party of the Past District Deputy Presidents' Association of Alameda County was held at Odd Fellows Hall, Irvington, Tuesday, Dec. 21, with Catherine R. Parry, Petra Gronley, Fern Mitte, Rose Stearns and Ivy Cull as hostesses. The next meeting of the association will be held on January 17 at the home of Hannah Post, Oakland.

The members of the Friendly Sewing Circle will meet in regular session on Thursday, Jan. 6, at Odd Fellows Hall, Irvington. The business meeting will be preceded by a luncheon, according to Gertrude Davis, president.

The first installation of District No. 53, I.O.O.F., will be held at Livermore, Wednesday evening, Jan. 5, with Ivy Cull as installing officer, substituting for Anna Bradford, district deputy president of District 53, who is convalescing from a severe illness. The second installation will be held at Pleasanton, Monday evening, Jan. 10; and the third will be on Jan. 21 at Odd Fellows Hall, Irvington. This will be the installation of Niles Rebekah Lodge No. 336.

The members of Niles Rebekah Lodge will meet in regular session on Friday evening, Jan. 7, at Odd Fellows Hall, Irvington. After a short business session, initiatory ceremonies will be held for a class of candidates, according to Mildred Barber, noble grand.

The members of Necona Theta Rho Girls' Club No. 46 will meet in regular session on Monday evening, Jan. 3, at Odd Fellows Hall, Irvington, according to Shirley Neighbors, president.

**GREAT MAGICIAN IS PLAYING AT GEARY**

Dante, who has been acclaimed in all parts of the world as the great master of magic, came to the Geary Theater on Sunday for a two weeks engagement with his latest mystery revue, "Foolies of 1949."

This great artist has just returned from the Garrick Theater in London, England, where he had one of the most successful "runs" in the history of the theater by breaking all past records for attendance at that house.

At the Geary Theater, Dante will present his latest extravaganza of mystery, "The Foolies of 1949" with its gorgeous costuming, beautiful scenery, world's latest mystery illusions, good clean wholesome comedy for anyone from 5 to 95, and a stage full of bright snappy looking young assistants, many having had years of experience in working with the old Master in presenting his latest Mystery Revue.

Principal co-worker and "Leading Lady" that has for so many years assisted Dante in all parts of the world on his tours, is that famed Australian beauty Moi-Yo Miller and her Mystery Girls, who have so many times been proclaimed the equal of the most heralded of the famous Ziegfeld Girls.



A year brimming with material and spiritual good things for you.

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General Contractor  
Niles

**1948 WAS EVENTFUL YEAR**

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ville Council, Knights of Columbus, succeeding John Cattaneo. Colonel Eugene Manning, Centerville, U.S. Army, retired, accepted appointment as chief registrar for draft registration. Assisting him were J. R. Sutton, Rev. Arthur Freeman, Rev. Donald Kirkbride, Mrs. Maria Brazil, and Mrs. Lida Santos.

Plans to divert the flow of Alameda Creek into gravel pits west of Niles for percolation of water into gravel strata in order to correct the dangerously lowering water table were told to the Niles Chamber of Commerce by W. D. Patterson, president of the Alameda County Water District.

Sale of the R. A. Jolly Pharmacy in Newark to James P. O'Connor of Niles was announced.

**SEPTEMBER**

Foundry department of the James Graham Manufacturing Co. in Newark closed down, ending an operation of 66 years.

A total of 3,041 students were on hand for the opening day registration in Township elementary schools, and Washington Union High.

Manuel D. Silva, retired Newark business man and civic leader, died at his home on Thornton Avenue after an illness of several months.

A low bid of \$71,049 for construction of a new sanitary plant was received by the Irvington Sanitary District Board of Directors.

Public hearings were held throughout the township on the Alameda County Junior College issue.

Re-elected to berths on township sanitary district boards of directors were E. E. Dias and J. J. Alberg, Niles Sanitary; George Coit and S. G. Scott, Union Sanitary; Bernie Joseph, Manuel White and Fred Sanchez, Decoto; and Leonard Freitas, William Rose and R. J. Wright, Irvington-Mission San Jose. Chester Gunn of Newark was elected to succeed the late M. D. Silva on the Union Sanitary Board.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were held for the new Niles Congregational Church Recreation Hall.

Washington Alumni gridders and the San Leandro Redskins played to a 0-0 tie in the season's opener for both teams.

Formal dedication ceremonies for the new Irvington post office were held, with Irvington Chamber of Commerce President Vernon Leal acting as master-of-ceremonies.

Ernie Frick of Niles was installed chairman of the Niles Sportsmen's Club, succeeding Carl Kaiser.

The Washington Union High School Huskies opened their 1948 football season with a 13-6 win over Jefferson High of Daly City.

**OCTOBER**

A three-day celebration was held in Mission San Jose to celebrate the arrival of riders in the historic Portola Trek party.

A petition bearing the names of 58 Niles residents asking that use permits be required for new gravel excavations in the township, was presented the Alameda County Planning Commission.

Clean-up Day was observed in Decoto, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce there.

Washington Huskies opened the 1948 S.C.V.A.L. football season with a 28-0 drubbing handed Gilroy High.

A program of free chest x-rays, sponsored by the Alameda County Tuberculosis and Health Association, was held throughout the township.

A petition asking annexation of all area within the Centerville Elementary School District to the Centerville Fire Protection District, was being circulated.

Manuel Bernardo of Centerville was installed president of the Alameda County Farm Bureau.

Quick action by the Irvington Volunteer Fire Department saved the life of Harvey Wood, when he was overcome by gas at the bakery he and his wife operate in Irvington.

Irvington Elementary School students elected Paul Thomsen student body president, at school elections.

Holly Sugar Corporation announced it would begin producing liquid sugar at its Alvarado plant.

Shirley Neighbors of Niles, June Nova of Alviso, Charlene O'Brien of Niles, and Mary Villescaz of Decoto, competed for Carnival Queen honors at Washington Union High.

**NOVEMBER**

East Bay Pilgrim Fellowship Rally was held at the Niles Congregational Church.

Mrs. Mary C. Belshaw, 78, a native of Washington Township, died at her Centerville home.

High winds, part of the first major storm of winter, caused extensive damage throughout the township.

The township was shocked by the death of Richard Alvin Gomes, 16, sophomore student at Washington Union High School, who succumbed to blood poisoning.

Johnny Coelho of Warm Springs, and Frank Hermosa, Alviso, attended a national convention of the Future Farmers of America, held in Kansas City.

The Alameda County Planning Commission took first steps toward regulation, by use permit, of new gravel operations in the county.

Newark Boy Scouts bested scouts from other township communities at the annual Boy Scout Rodeo, held in the Washington High School auditorium.

Washington Union High School's Huskies downed Campbell 19-0 in their final football game of the season, to cop S.C.V.A.L. Pennant honors.

Announcement was made by W. D. Patterson, president of the Board of Directors of the Alameda County Water District, that local water rates will be increased January 1.

Frank Galvan was elected president of the Warm Springs Grammar School student body, in school elections.

Washington Union High School Football Players Joe Sankene, Fred Duffie, Bernie Day, and Ed Gurley, were named to the All-S.C.V.A.L. grid eleven.

**DECEMBER**

A new senior scout outfit for Washington Township was formed at a meeting held in the Veterans Memorial Building in Niles.

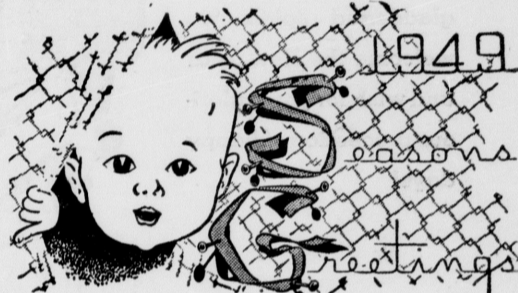
Warm Springs Firemen held their first annual Firemen's Ball in the Newark Pavilion.

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welcome the New Year  
and wish for you a glori-  
ous procession of happy  
days!



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NEWARK  
Fent - Wes - Harry - Wanda - Elinor - Gerry

## THIS YEAR

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### Foreign

- January**
- 3-522 million-dollar aid program for France and Italy gets under way.
  - U. S. aid mission in Athens hands Greek army and national guard an additional 15 million to raise army to 132,000.
  - 3-Nationwide strike of 60,000 bank employees in Italy ends. Salaries raised 15 per cent.
  - 18-Mohandas K. Gandhi ends 121-hour fast in New Delhi.
  - 23-Union of Western nations endorsed by U. S. state department.
  - 30-Gandhi shot in New Delhi by Hindu nationalist.
- February**
- 1-Russia protests that low-flying B-17's are making inspections of Soviet ships in the Yellow Sea and Sea of Japan.
  - 2-New Italian trade and friendship treaty signed in Rome.
  - 7-France and Spain agree to re-open their frontier, officially closed for two years.
  - 28-Russia gains complete control over Czechoslovakia through Czech Communist party in bloodless coup, in one week.
- March**
- 4-Rep. Gerald W. Landis (R., Ind.) states that strikes cost 220 million in wages in 1948 and 231 million in 1947.
  - 6-State Secretary Marshall and Defense Secretary Forrestal urge authorization of additional 275 million dollar military assistance to Greece and Turkey.
  - 19-U. S. abandons its support of partition of the Holy Land.
  - 24-President Peron of Argentina says that Argentina will not ban Communist party.
  - 31-Russia starts battle of blockades against other allies in Berlin.
- April**
- 1-Secretary Marshall tells ninth international conference of American states in Bogota that ERP must take precedence over aid to Latin America.
  - 2-Britain refers Holy Land dispute to U. N.
  - 9-Outbreak of rioting interrupts Bogota conference.
  - 12-Bronze statue of Franklin D. Roosevelt is unveiled in London.
  - 13-Finnish parliament approves Russo-Finnish defense treaty.
- May**
- 7-First Congress of Europe is held in The Hague.
  - 13-Arab League proclaims in Damascus that a "state of war" exists between its members and the "Jewish rebels of Palestine."
  - 14-Israel, first Jewish state in the Holy Land since 70 A. D., is proclaimed by the Jewish National Council meeting in Tel Aviv.
  - 26-Gen. Jan Christian Smuts and his United Party are defeated in a South African election.
- June**
- 7-Dr. Eduard Benes, 64, elected Czech president for life in June, 1946, resigns.
  - 11-Cease-fire order takes effect on Palestine's fighting fronts under four-week truce.
  - 12-Senate appropriations committee restores 1,011 billion of the 1,266 billion cut by the house from ERP.
  - 24-Soviet occupation forces ban all shipments from western Germany to Berlin.
- July**
- 6-Britain, France and U. S. demand in nearly identical notes that Russia lift its blockade of Berlin.
  - 9-Holy Land truce, which began June 11, expires, and all three principal fronts again flame into action.
  - 12-British lend-lease account with the U. S. is closed out.
  - 27-Maj. Gen. Hershey announces that the new draft will take 25-year olds first and youngest men last.
  - 28-Yugoslav Communists re-elect Marshal Tito as head of the politburo.
  - 30-Embryos of Western Big Three begin series of official talks in Moscow.
  - 31-Another U. S. tribunal in Nuremberg sentences 11 of 12 Krupp munitions directors to prison.
- August**
- 2-Secret plan for control of Danube waterways is presented to the Danube conference in Belgrade.
  - 7-Mrs. Oksana Kasenkina, 52, Russian chemistry teacher, plunkers from third-floor window of Russia's New York consulate to escape Reds.
  - 12-Anglo-U. S. airlift to Berlin achieves the 4,500-ton-a-day goal.
  - 15-Democratic republic of Korea is formally proclaimed.
- September**
- 3-Chile's Communist party is outlawed under act of congress.
  - 4-Queen Wilhelmina ends 50-year reign over Netherlands, in favor of daughter Juliana.
  - 5-Pope Pius XII broadcasts his first speech to German Catholics since the war.
  - 14-Gen. Lucius D. Clay predicts in Berlin that a winter-long siege is in prospect.
  - 17-Swedish Count Folke Bernadotte, U. N. mediator for Palestine, assassinated.
  - 21-Third annual session of 58-nation U. N. general assembly opens in Paris.

## FARM NEWS

AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE

### PREPARE ROASTERS AHEAD OF TIME

If you have a home freezing unit, or access to a frozen food locker, Home Demonstration Agent Maryetta Holman of the University of California Agricultural Extension Service, suggests that you add to your enjoyment of poultry by preparing and stuffing your turkey or roaster ahead of time.

The main thing to watch in preparing a bird for freezing is that everything you use in the stuffing is fresh and clean. Freezing a bird that is already stuffed will increase the danger of contamination unless cleanliness in materials and handling are observed. Both the bird and the dressing should be completely chilled before stuffing as bread is a poor heat conductor and will slow down the freezing process.

Highly seasoned foods, such as you use in stuffing, may change flavor during freezing storage. It is best not to store a stuffed bird longer than two or three months. The vegetables used will change flavor in as short a time as three weeks unless they are heated before they are added to the dressing. Mrs. Holman recommends that the celery, parsley, and onions be heated in a small amount of the fat you will use in the dressing but enough to heat them throughout. They will destroy the enzymes and make it possible to keep the vegetables for a longer period of time.

When the dressing is ready, put it into the refrigerator and chill it thoroughly before putting it in the bird. Then, when the bird is stuffed and ready, transfer it to the freezer at once.

### October

- 1-Panama's new president, Domingo Diaz Arosemena, is inaugurated.
- 6-Norway, Cuba and Egypt are elected by the U. N. general assembly in Paris to replace Belgium, Colombia and Syria on the security council for two-year terms.
- 9-Russia's disarmament plan, offered at the Paris U. N. meeting, is challenged by the U. S.

### November

- 1-Chinese Communists completed their rout of the Nationalists in Manchuria and subdued the last resistance in Mukden.
- 11-A million men locked in battle on a 200-mile front in the Szechwan area in the Nationalist-Communist war in China.
- 12-Hideki Tojo and six co-defendants in the principal Japanese war crimes trial are sentenced to death by hanging.
- 13-Herbert Evatt, president of the U. N. general assembly, and Trygve Lie, U. N. secretary-general, appeal directly to the Big Four to settle the Berlin dispute by direct negotiation.
- 14-A son is born to Princess Elizabeth of England and Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh.
- 26-Mme. Chiang Kai-shek announces she will visit the U. S.

### December

- 1-Mme. Chiang Kai-shek arrives in U. S. to press for three billion-dollar military and economic loan to China during next three years.
- 12-United Nations assembly ended its 12 week Paris session by endorsing the Korean government of Dr. Syngman Rhee and continuing the U. N. Korean commission for another year.
- 14-Ernest Reuter, mayor of western Berlin, proposes that western allies reorganize the kommandantura with out the Russians and abolish the boundaries between American, British and French sectors.

The day before you plan to cook the bird, remove it from the freezer and leave it at room temperature. The cooking period will be a little longer than for a freshly killed bird as it may still be partially frozen.

Mrs. Hollman advises that only the smaller birds be prepared in this manner. The larger ones of from twenty to thirty pounds take so long to thaw out that there is some danger of a rancid flavor in the fat before they can be cooked properly.

### Wassail Bowl For Auld Lang Syne

The Wassail bowl goes around in Scotland—and elsewhere—at New Year's time.

The origin of the custom is really lost in antiquity: Saxon ancestors probably quaffed their ale from the polished skulls of defeated enemies, and the Rowena legend must be classified as "presumably fiction."

Rowena is reported to have offered her father's guest—Prince Vortigren—a bowl of wine with the salutation "Lord King, wass-hael," literally, "To Your Health." Draining the bowl with one draught, Vortigren fell in love with Rowena and they lived happily ever after.

Anyway, in time the bowl itself became an ornament of graceful design—decorated with branches of greenery which formed a canopy over the bowl. The mixture within was warm and included ale, sugar, spices, sweetened wine was added by hosts who could afford it, apples floated on top of the decoction, sometimes called "lamb's wool" or the "old man's beard." The poorer classes carried a bowl decorated with ribbons around the neighborhood, begging that it be filled, so they, too, might enjoy the Wassail.



The custom of making short calls on New Year's Day was in full swing throughout America about 1900. Newspapers carried columns of "at home" notices specifying the hours during which visitors would be received. A succession of "open houses" and punch bowls sometimes minimized the courtesy according to hostesses—receptions were often "crashed" by bibulous strangers; hence, the publicly announced "open house" custom has fallen into decline and, New Year's calls now being exchanged only by intimates, the Wassail bowl goes 'round in private.

The knot is a measure of speed—a speed of one knot being a speed of one nautical mile per hour.

The first California State Fair was held in San Francisco in 1854.

The commercial growing of walnuts was begun in California about 1880.

## TWENTY YEARS AGO...

(From the 1928 Files of The Township Register)

More than \$500 damage was caused by a fire at the home of Dr. and Mrs. W. L. McWhirter in Centerville last week. The blaze was apparently started by defective wiring near the family Christmas tree.

George L. Donovan returned this week from a P. G. & E. sales force meeting in San Francisco.

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## POULTRY DISCUSSION MEETING JANUARY 4

Two colored movies on "Poultry Diseases" will be shown at the Livermore Poultry Discussion Group meeting on January 4. The meeting will be held at the Library Club Rooms and will start promptly at 8 p.m., reports Vernon Miller, assistant farm advisor.

One of the movies will be on "Newcastle Disease," and the other on "Common Poultry Diseases," showing their causes, symptoms, and controls.

All poultrymen are invited to attend this meeting.

A "cable" is 0.1 nautical miles, or 608 feet.

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# 1948 WAS EVENTFUL YEAR

(Continued from page 7)

Final rites were said for **James F. Rose**, 87, native of Niles and member of a pioneer township family, who died after a long illness.

Telephone Company officials announced application has been filed to secure new rate increases throughout the state.

**Mrs. Emma Murray**, Niles librarian for more than 30 years, retired.

**Rev. Donald Kirkbride** and **Miss Miki Mohn** were married in ceremonies conducted by the Rev. Arthur Freeman at the Niles Congregational Church.

Rites were held for **Dr. George S. Holeman** of Centerville, who succumbed after a long illness.

Two performances for the annual High School Christmas Pageant, "Prince of Peace," were held.

The Junior College proposal for Alameda County was rejected by voters at a special election.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were held for the first unit of a new \$500,000 addition to St. Mary's of the Palms parochial school.

Township residents were shocked by the death of **Mrs. Clara-belle Norris**, 38, wife of **Judge Allen G. Norris** of Centerville.

The South Fork Golden Trout (Salmo aqua-bonita) was adopted as the official state fish by the Legislature in 1947.

Official Hawaiian time is ten hours slower than Greenwich time.



Lou Holtz, celebrated New York stage star, heads the cast of George White's Varieties now at the Curran Theater in San Francisco. With Holtz are a group of America's top show names—Joe Howard ("I Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now"), the Ziegfeld singing and dancing stars, Buck and Bubbles, the lovely Lita (Isabelita) Baron, Johnny Duggan, Amita Martel, The Mayo Brothers and other notables. Performances will be given every night with matinee on Saturday and Sunday with two shows scheduled for New Year's Eve.

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## NEWARK P.T.A. BOARD TO MEET

Executive board of the Newark P.T.A. will meet next Thursday, at 3:30 p.m., at the school, to hear several reports on group activities, and lay plans for the coming year, it was announced this week by Mrs. William Dutra, club president.

The regular club meeting will be held the following Thursday evening at the school, she added. Because of school Christmas vacation, the regular meeting was postponed one week.

Items on the agenda for the board meeting include a report on the Men's Club Christmas Jinx Dinner, prepared by P.T.A. members, and a review of progress made on a school cafeteria project. Mrs. Sam G. Scott is chairman of that committee.

In addition, a discussion will be held on the coming club membership drive, which will be held in January.

The first recorded citrus planting, made at San Gabriel Mission in 1847, consisted of some 400 sweet-orange seedlings.

## FAMOUS MUSICAL IN SAN JOSE JAN. 13

"Show Boat," the famous musical which is to have one performance in the auditorium, San Jose, on Thursday night, January 13, has one of the most beautiful musical scores written by the late Jerome Kern. During the 13 different scenes of the fast-moving "Show Boat," choruses, duets and solos are heard in the well-rehearsed music.

Best known of all is the solo, "Ol' Man River," sung by William C. White in the role of Joe. White is a graduate of Juillard School in New York, was featured in "Porgy and Bess," "Memphis Bound" and "Carib Song" on Broadway, and has given a recital in Carnegie Hall. He has a powerful, magnificent bass voice, which "brought down the house" each night he sang the famous "Ol' Man River" during the Broadway run.

Tickets for "Show Boat" are on sale at the Denny-Watrous box office, San Jose auditorium.

San Joaquin County, with an estimated population of 200,000 has 156 doctors.

## NEW HOMES TO BE BUILT ON IRVINGTON-MISSION ROAD

K. P. Suhnel, Centerville builder, announced this week that the first of several rambling, ranch-style homes will be completed in March of 1949, if present plans go forward according to schedule.

The three bedroom homes will be built on view lots on the Irvington-Mission San Jose Road on a location that has been referred to as the "Piedmont of Washington Township."

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Dr. Olmo used his sabbatical leave and a Guggenheim fellowship to travel 6,200 miles through northwestern Pakistan, Afghanistan,

Iran, and areas believed to be the original home of such fruits as the plum, grape, cherry, pomegranate, and almond.

The purpose of the trip was to collect samples of fruit and nut varieties for introduction into this country. Cuttings were sent to the Department of Agriculture in Washington, D. C., where they are held and grown in quarantine for two to three years.

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<b>Dalewood Margarine</b>	1-lb. Carton	<b>29¢</b>
<b>Royal Satin Shortening</b>	3-lb. Can	<b>93¢</b>
<b>Snowdrift Shortening</b>	3-lb. Can	<b>99¢</b>
<b>Tomatoes</b>	Gardenside, Standard—No. 2 Can	<b>15¢</b>
	No. 2 1/2 Can	<b>19¢</b>

### SHACK ITEMS

Crackers	Bury Baker—1-lb. Package	25¢
Cream Cheese	Kraft Philadelphia or Placid—3-oz. Package	18¢
Cheese Food	Breeze—3/4-lb. Package	28¢
Potato Chips	Blue Bird—5 1/2-oz. Cel.	29¢
Cheese Spread	Kraft Old English—3/4-lb. Can	41¢
Sweet Pickles	Libby's Sliced Homemade—3-oz. Glass	23¢
Dill Pickles	Finer Made—22-oz. Glass	25¢
Pop Corn	TNT—Yellow—10-oz. Can	16¢
Shoestring Potatoes	Soudette—4-oz. Can	16¢

### EDWARDS COFFEE

Regular or Drip  
1-lb. Can **49¢** 2-lb. Can **96¢**

### HILLS COFFEE

Red Can—Regular or Drip  
1-lb. Can **51¢** 2-lb. Can **\$1.00**

### PARTY NEEDS

Ginger Ale	Snowy Peak—Quart Bottle Plus Deposit	2 for 25¢
Ginger Ale	Bell—9-oz. Bottle Plus Deposit	15¢
Pepsi Cola	12-oz. Bottle—Plus Deposit	6 for 33¢
Sparkling Water	Merry Mix—Quart Bottle Plus Deposit	10¢
Mixed Nuts	Circus, Shelled—7-oz. Can	55¢
Beer	Real Pale or A-Care—12-oz. Can	2 for 29¢
Corn Chips	Grimy Goose—3 1/2-oz. Cello	15¢
Swedish Mints	Ultra Fine—1-lb. Cello	29¢
Blended Juice	Blend O'Gold, Orange and Grapefruit—No. 2 Can	11¢

### NOB HILL COFFEE

Whole Roast  
1-lb. Bag **44¢** 2-lb. Bag **87¢**

### AIRWAY COFFEE

Whole Roast  
1-lb. Bag **42¢** 3-lb. Bag **\$1.25**

### FINE WINES

Muscatel	Monte Cristo—Sweet Dessert—1/2 Bottle	68¢
Sherry	Monte Cristo—Pale Dry Appetizer—1/2 Bottle	68¢
Burgundy	Fidella—Dry Red Table—1/2 Bottle	45¢

## THIS WEEK'S PREVIEW VALUES

Chocolate Morsels	Nestles—6-oz. Bag	19¢
Soup Mix	Lipton Continental Noodle—Package	3 for 31¢
Grapefruit	Highway, Broken Sections—No. 2 Can	15¢
Apple Cider	Western Quart Glass	23¢
Lady's Choice Syrup	22 1/2-oz. Glass	33¢
Terry's Mints	Chocolate Covered—1-lb. Pkg.	59¢
Marshmallows	Fluffitt—1-lb. Package	29¢
Silk Toilet Tissue	Roll	3 for 19¢

## GUARANTEED MEATS

<b>PORK LOIN ROAST</b>	and Pork Shoulder Butt Roasts, Fresh Lean Cuts—Lb.	<b>53¢</b>
<b>FANCY SMOKED PICNICS</b>	Light Average, Eastern, For Baking—Lb.	<b>47¢</b>
<b>STANDING RIB ROAST</b>	U. S. Grade Good Quality, Trimmed of excess waste—Lb.	<b>69¢</b>
<b>PORK SHOULDERS</b>	Sweet Pickled for Baking, Picnic Cuts—Lb.	<b>42¢</b>
<b>SIRLOIN STEAKS</b>	Tender Choice Cuts, U. S. Grade Good Quality—Lb.	<b>79¢</b>
<b>FANCY SMOKED HAMS</b>	Whole or Full Half Cuts—Lb.	<b>59¢</b>

<b>TASTY FISH FILLETS</b>	
<b>SKINLESS WASTE FREE CUTS</b>	
<b>FILLET of SOLE</b> or Haddock—Lb.	<b>45¢</b>
<b>LINGCOD FILLETS</b> Select Cuts—Lb.	<b>37¢</b>
<b>FRESH OYSTERS</b> Pint Jars—Each	<b>69¢</b>

<b>YOUNG TURKEYS</b>	U. S. Grade A Quality
18 to 22 lb. Average —lb.	<b>59¢</b>

<b>Corned Beef Hash</b>	Armour's—16-oz. Can	<b>33¢</b>
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<b>Libby's Deviled Ham</b>	3-oz. Can	<b>2 for 35¢</b>
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<b>Libby's Baby Foods</b>	Homogenized, Assorted	<b>3 for 23¢</b>
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<b>Pard Dog Food</b>	No. 1 Can	<b>2 for 27¢</b>
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<b>Crystal White Soap</b>	Laundry—Bar	<b>2 for 15¢</b>
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## SUZANNA PANCAKE & WAFFLE FLOUR

40-oz. Pkg. **29¢** 3 1/2-lb. Bag **42¢**

## SUGAR BELLE SWEET PEAS

303 Can **2 for 33¢**

### Miscellaneous

Cottage Cheese	Blossom Time, Creamed 10-oz. Carton	26¢
Peas & Carrots	Libby's—303 Can	18¢
Peaches	Crest Y. C.—Sliced or Halves No. 2 1/2 Can	27¢
Carrot Juice	S & W—12-oz. Can	13¢
Cookie Mix	Quixy Sugar—12-oz. Can	25¢
Pie Crust Mix	Singers—8-oz. Package	14¢
Sweet Potatoes	Tender Pat Cut No. 2 1/2 Can	19¢
Cake Mix	Cinch, White or Gold—17-oz. Can	38¢

<b>Lifebuoy Toilet Soap</b>	Bar	<b>3 for 25¢</b>
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<b>White King Granulated Soap</b>	22-oz. Package	<b>31¢</b>
	46-oz. Package	<b>65¢</b>

## FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

<b>FIRM LETTUCE</b>	Nice Crisp Heads—Lb.	<b>12¢</b>
<b>LEMONS</b>	Fancy Grade—Lb.	<b>10¢</b>
<b>GRAPEFRUIT</b>	Arizona Seedless, Medium size, 6-lb. Mesh bag—Each	<b>45¢</b>
<b>YELLOW ONIONS</b>	U. S. No. 1	<b>3 Lbs. 14¢</b>
<b>PIPPIN APPLES</b>	California	<b>2 Lbs. 19¢</b>

<b>RUSSET POTATOES</b>	U. S. No. 1—Bakers 8 to 14 oz.—selected for Size & Quality	<b>10 Lbs. 59¢</b>
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MISSION SAN JOSE NEWS

By LOIS BOTTENBERG



BEST GIFT OF ALL

One of the very nicest of Christmas presents which any one could have gotten by Santa Claus Express was delivered to Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Solon Jr. on Christmas day in a lovely bundle all pink and white weighing 7 pounds 15 ounces. The little one is a girl very appropriately named "Holly" and daddy Cy and mommie Phyllis as well as grandmother and

granddad, Lena and Cyrus Solon are in seventh heaven over it all as she is the first grandchild for them. Of course I have heard tell they wanted a boy but little girls can be dressed so cute, too.

AT CAMP LEWIS

Mrs. James Young of Mission and her sister, Mrs. Mary Vieux of Niles, left three days before Christmas to spend the holidays at the Camp Lewis home of her daughter, and husband, Lt. and Mrs. Hugh L. Crume.

CHRISTMAS DINNER

Quite a number of our folks sort of dined out on Christmas Day. Among them being Faye and Frank Castro who spent a lovely day at the home of their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Huddelston in Oakland, Evelyn Meyers at the Smith residence in Campbell, Glenn and Lois Bottenberg first at Burlingame with Tom and Ruth Santos and grandchildren DeeDee and Michael for turkey dinner, then to Oakland to Bud and Colleen Justus' and baby Cynthia, home, then Sunday morning bright and early they arrived in Placerville at the home of Elaine, Norman, Vicki and Teri Kamp for a ham dinner, on

to Sacramento to visit Ma and John Heintz, step-parents of Glenn, and home. Whee, is that all. Of course there were others but seems your correspondent still had Christmas rush on Monday too, so did not get all the dope.

SERIOUS ACCIDENT

Louis Souza, son of Mrs. Mary Souza, was in a serious accident near Los Angeles on Christmas day and arrived home by plane. He has a broken knee and other cuts and bruises. His nice car is a complete wreck. He will be laid up for some time from his job on the P. G. & E.

SAD NEWS

Sad news also seemed to be on the program for on Christmas night Mrs. Belle Tommerdahl received word that her sister in Thief River, Minnesota, was at death's door and she left immediately by plane hoping to reach home before it was too late.

BACK TO L. A.

Melvin "Mushy" Callahan has returned to Los Angeles after spending a week here at the home of his mother, Mrs. May Callahan, sister, Mrs. Dan Cross, and brother, Leslie. He plans to be back shortly for another stay.

A HAPPY PERSON

Miss Abbie Sunderer was a happy person on Christmas when Rose and Roscoe Whiteside acted as host and hostess to the McGinleys of San Jose and served a lovely dinner at the family home here in the Mission, and later in the day one of

HERE AND THERE IN DECOTO

By RAMONA FINE

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Euloyio Garcia of 607 Third Street, announced the engagement of their daughter, Isabel, to Sam Rebiejo of San Leandro, on Christmas Eve. A family dinner was also had by the Garcias on Christmas Day as a celebration for Mr. Manuel Garcia of H and 14th Streets, who celebrated his 80th birthday.

Open house was held in the afternoon at which time Manuel

her old friends, Mr. Gustav Lau-meister and daughter of Palo Alto arrived to wish her one more Merry Christmas. Miss Abbie, who is always interested in what the Youth Center is doing, gave them a large set of Chinese checkers to be used at the I.D.E.S. Hall on play nights. Thanks from all the boys and girls to a grand little lady.

IN THE CITY

Miss Lillian Ladigus spent the Christmas week-end in San Francisco at the home of life long friends, the Dohortys. Mr. George Parker of San Francisco spent this holiday with his granddaughter, Carol Lee Bonner and her folks, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bonner here in town.

EVERYBODY THERE

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lofton at the junction of Mission Highway and Livermore Road was a happy one over the holiday as the maternal Grandmother Mrs. Myrtle Orvick of San Mateo spent Christmas Day with all her grandchildren and their parents.

FOR FOUR DAYS

Elsie Wilcox, mother of Floyd H. Cross of Redwood City, spent a four-day holiday over at their house where she had a visit with her grandson, Darol Cross, who is attending Seminary Bible School in Pasadena. They all came to the Daniel Cross residence on Sunday evening for luncheon and later Darol went to San Jose where he took a bus back to Pasadena and another semester of school.

BEST WISHES

Friends of Cy Solon are all pulling for him as he lies ill in the San Jose Hospital. He is improving very slowly and at last reports will be there for a while yet.

Garcia's children came in to wish him a happy birthday.

BABY BOY

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Rebiejo are the proud parents of a baby boy born on Christmas Day at the Hayward Hospital. The baby was named Wayne Anthony, and weighed 5 pounds, 4 ounces.

67th BIRTHDAY

Mr. Estaban Paniagua of 717 Fourteenth Street celebrated his 67th birthday December 26. He was presented with a radio by all his daughters.

LOS ANGELES VISIT

Alfonso Rodriguez of Decoto and Floyd Paulson of Minnesota spent a few days in Los Angeles visiting with war-time buddies. Mrs. Paulson and family visited her sister in San Francisco.

ALAMEDA TRIP

Kenneth Garcia and Ray Cadman went to Alameda on Monday night to the Alameda Elks Lodge.

CHRISTMAS BIKE

Little Willa Hicks is a happy little girl for Santa Claus surprised her with the bicycle she's been wanting.

OPEN HOUSE

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Guerra had open house on Christmas Eve for friends and relatives. Chris is now home and feeling much better after spending some time in the hospital with back injuries.

YULE DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Emilio Paniagua had a Christmas Eve dinner for all of his family, and after dinner they exchanged gifts.

VISITING HERE

Mary and Isabel Sumaquero of Winters, daughters of Frank Sumaquero, formerly of Decoto, are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. John Jimenez and family. The parents will come on New Year's week-end.

SUNNYVALE GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carey entertained their children on Christmas day. Coming from Sunnyvale were Mr. and Mrs. Benny Dias and son, Bobby, and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Carey of Niles.

NEW YEAR'S DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Avilla and son, Don, will have New Year's dinner with her brother and wife,

Mr. and Mrs. Maynard M. Jackson of Berkeley.

FAMILY FETE

Mrs. Mary Ramos had a family dinner on Christmas Day for Mr. and Mrs. Joe Boliba and family of Niles, Mr. and Mrs. John Del-crow of Modesto, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rebiejo and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Garcia and family and her son, Tony.

SICK LIST

Tuesday Alice Carey visited Mrs. Sadie Jameson of Oakland, who is very ill.

NEW CAR

Raymond Cadman presented his wife with a new car on Christmas Eve.

CHRISTMAS GUEST

Isabel Montez of San Francisco was visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jose Montez of Third Street during the Christmas holidays.

U. C. PROFESSOR TO APPEAR HERE WITH R. G. SPOUL

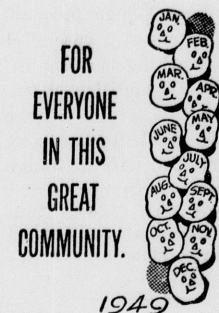
Peter H. Odegard, new chairman of the political science department at the University of California, will appear with University President Robert Gordon Sproul January 30 at an alumni meeting at the International Kitchen.

Former president of Reed College in Oregon, Professor Odegard took the department post at the world's largest university in the hopes of devoting more time to research. He now describes the move as "jumping from the frying pan into the fire."

Local alumni will also hear Dr. Wendell M. Stanley, director of the university's new virus research laboratory, who is accompanying Sproul and Odegard on the week-long tour of alumni groups throughout the state. A unique tradition in university circles, the tour will include Niles, Modesto, Madera, Visalia, Bakersfield, Ventura, Long Beach, Anaheim, Riverside and Los Angeles.

Arrangements for the local meeting are being handled by a committee headed by Donald Graham and Vernon Ellsworth.

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# Around the Township...

## DORIS ALAMEDA'S BETROTHAL TOLD AT CHRISTMAS PARTY; WILL WED IN JUNE

An engagement ring, hidden in the tip-top branches of the Christmas tree at the A. E. Alameda home in Irvington not only was a happy surprise to Miss Doris Alameda, but served as the means of announcing her engagement to Mr. Jordan Boyd Crowe, at a large family Christmas Eve party.

The ring was presented to Doris after Santa Claus had distributed gifts to about 10 children—nieces and nephews of the Alamedas. Those present at the gathering were all members of Mrs. Alameda's family. Later the group motored up to Alameda to attend open house at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sargent (Doris' aunt) and uncle on her father's side, where the happy news was announced to about 100 guests, including all of the Alameda clan.

The young bride-to-be, who has tentatively set the month of June as her wedding date, comes from a prominent township family. Daughter of the A. E. Alamedas, she is the granddaughter of Mrs. Mary N. Alameda, and of Mrs. Petra Gronley, both of Centerville. A graduate of Washington High, Doris is also a graduate of Armstrong's Business College. She has been employed as a legal secretary in the district attorney's office in Oakland for the past three and a half years.

Mr. Crowe, son of Mrs. Horace Harrison of Sacramento, attended Sacramento schools and was in the navy during the war. He is presently employed at the telephone company in Sacramento, but in June will enroll as a student in the college of electrical engineering at the University of California.

## Christmas at the J. G. Damas Home

Christmas Eve Santa Claus paid a visit to the J. G. Damas home to the delight of Jimmie and Rickie Damas and Gail Harder.

Spending the evening and Christmas day with them were Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Henle of Woodland, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Greve of Priest Valley, Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Hatcher of Sacramento, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Cunha of Oakland, and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Fields of Niles. Arriving on Christmas Day were Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Blair, Greta Kramer and Rudy Henle, all of Woodland.

## Family Gathering

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Ferrante enjoyed their Christmas dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rina Canziani in Decoto. The Ferrante family was again all united for the occasion. The guests were the Canziani's son, James, Mr. and Mrs. Ferrante from Niles, Mr. Paul Ferrante and Mr. Savio from San Luis Obispo, and Judge and Mrs. E. A. Quaresma and children. All had a wonderful Christmas.

## Gala Birthday Party At Fields Home

A birthday dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Fields, December 19, in honor of Manuel S. Damas, celebrating his 85th birthday, and his grandson on his 4th birthday.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Damas of Hayward; Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cunha of Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fontes and family of San Leandro; Mr. and Mrs. George Lawrence of Danville; Mr. and Mrs. Daryl Hatcher and Gail of Sacramento.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay Rose and Sunny Bettencourt and Jack Andrews of Sacramento; Miss Greta Kramer and Rudy Henle of Woodland; Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Damas and sons, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Fonte and Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Fonte of Niles.

Many lovely gifts were presented and a gala time was had by all.

Mrs. Martha Barker and son, David, accompanied by Charles "Bud" Mohn and Wally Ebright, will motor down to Pasadena today to see the Rose Bowl game. They plan to be gone until Sunday.

## Sisters Announce Their Betrothals

Dan Cupid bested Santa Claus in presenting Christmas gifts to at least one township home this season, when engagements of both Janet and Marcie Hermoso were announced at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Hermoso, Newark, at a family party Christmas Eve.

First troth to be revealed was that of Marcie Hermoso, who will wed Mr. Jess Jardin of Oakland, either late this spring or early next summer. He is manager of the State Theater in Hayward, and served three years with the Navy in the South Pacific.

The announcement was made around the family Christmas tree, before from 20 to 30 members of the family and close friends.

Just the night before, at the home of Miss Hilda Jardin, sister of the groom-to-be, the couple had revealed their coming engagement before a small gathering of members of his family.

Immediately following their announcement, Janet was presented an engagement ring by Dan Mello of San Francisco, thus formally revealing their coming troth. They plan a late spring wedding.

Janet, who was graduated from Washington Union High School in 1946, is employed by Chapman and Goodwin. She met Dan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Mello of San Francisco, when they both attended Washington High. He served during the war with the Navy, spending two years in the South Pacific.

## Their First

At 8 o'clock on Friday morning at the San Jose Hospital a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Woodward of La Honda (the former Eleanor Enos of Irvington).

The baby weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces and has been named William Paul.

Mrs. Woodward, upon leaving the hospital, will convalesce at the home of her mother, Mrs. William Enos on Driscoll Road in Irvington.

## At the Maccabees

Mrs. C. L. Hill and Mrs. Frank Fields, both of Niles, attended a Yule party of The Maccabees, held at the home of Mrs. Joseph Solomon in Oakland on Wednesday night.

## Ann August Sets Wedding Date

Miss Ann August, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James August of Niles, has set January 22 as the date for her wedding to Mr. Harold G. Brooks of San Bruno. The ceremony will be performed at Corpus Christi Church in Niles at two o'clock.

A graduate of Washington High and of Mary's Help College of Nursing, the bride-elect served in the Nurses' Corps in the Navy during the war as a Lieutenant (jg), in the Pacific area. Later she worked as a civilian nurse at Okinawa and China, returning to this country in January, 1948. She has since been employed as a nurse at Dr. Grau's office.

The bridegroom-to-be, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Brooks of Madison, Kansas, served in the Army for five years, in the European theater. He is now connected with the United Airlines.

## Joy Secada to Wed Newark Man

Another Christmas Eve betrothal was told, with the announcement that Joy Ann Secada, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claremont Secada of Centerville, is engaged to Mr. Newell Roche of the new Ranch and Farm Sales store in Newark.

The attractive young girl, a graduate of Washington High, is employed as a free-lance model in San Francisco. Her father is connected with the Bank of America in Centerville.

The engaged girl and her fiancé, who is also a graduate of Washington High, have not yet set a date for their wedding.

The announcement of their engagement was made in the presence of about fifteen relatives at a Christmas Eve party.

## Former Decoto Girl Has Twins in Holland

A cable arrived at the Herbert Harrold home in Decoto telling of the birth of twins to their daughter, the former Rosalie Harrold, who is now Mrs. Thys Risselada of The Hague, Holland.

The twins were born on December 29. One, a girl weighing eight and one-half pounds, has been named Inez Whipple Risselada, and the other, a boy weighing seven pounds, has been given a Dutch name, Tjannell Justus Risselada.

The family has been living in The Hague for the past year. Mr. Risselada is with the Shell Oil Company. Mrs. Risselada is a graduate of Washington High and also of the University of California.

## Couple Plans April Nuptials

Wedding rites are now being planned for April by Theodore Lira, operator of Ted's Donut Shop in Niles, and Miss Ruby Wetherford, of Oakland, whose engagement was announced recently at a dinner held in Berkeley.

Miss Wetherford, who is working for the Anglo Bank in Oakland, recently graduated from the Coronet Modeling School in Oakland. Ted, a graduate of Washington Union High School, is a veteran of World War II, having served two years in the U. S. Coast Guard.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Lira of Niles.

Although all plans are tentative as yet, the couple probably will make their home in Niles.

## New Year's Tea For Niles Librarian

A New Year's Day tea at the home of Mrs. Roland Bendel will introduce Miss Elaine Howe, new Niles librarian, to more than 75 Niles women who have been invited to the affair. Miss Howe comes to Niles from Massachusetts where she did extensive library work. She will assume her librarian duties at Niles the first of next week.

Mrs. Dorothy Roberts, county librarian, and her staff will assist Mrs. Bendel at the tea.

## New Secretary

Mrs. Lawrence Millard recently was elected secretary of the Church Women's Association of the Irvington Community Church, succeeding Mrs. George Beardsley, it was revealed this week.

Mrs. Beardsley had resigned the position because of duties with a religious education program.

## From Detroit, Oregon

A nice note, and a renewal check for her subscription, comes from Mrs. Homer Larson, former Niles resident now living in Detroit, Oregon. A daughter of Mrs. C. Perry of Niles, Mrs. Larson says, "I've enjoyed your paper for the last three years, and am always glad to get the news from home."

## JACQUELINE GORMAN REVEALS TROTH; WILL WED HONOLULU MAN SUNDAY

In a surprise announcement to her family on Christmas Day, Miss Jacqueline Gorman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Gorman of Niles, revealed her intentions of becoming the bride of Mr. Richard M. Botts, son of Attorney and Mrs. Ebert J. Botts of Honolulu.

"Jacquie," as she is popularly known to her friends and relatives, arrived home last week after a year and a half on the Islands. Her husband-to-be arrived a few days later, in time to spend Christmas Eve with the Gorman family. Then came the announcement, with the follow-up surprise that the wedding was to be a week away, next Sunday, January 2, at Corpus Christi Church in Niles.

The two o'clock ceremony will be attended by about 150 close friends and relatives of the pair, with a reception following at the Gorman home. Arriving from the

Islands in time for the ceremony will be the bridegroom's parents.

Miss Gorman attended the University of California at Berkeley. She was with Trans-Air Hawaii in Honolulu until her return.

Mr. Botts attended Punahou School, Honolulu, and the Foreign Service School at Georgetown University, Washington, D. C. Prior

to and during the war he was with the U. S. Army Airforce and later navigation officer of the USMS. He is employed by Cooke Trust Co. in Honolulu, and is, as well, alternate floor trader on the Honolulu Stock Exchange and contributing article writer for many nationally known magazines.

Following the wedding, the couple plan a honeymoon tour to Mexico, to return to make their home in Honolulu.



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### ST. JUDE Y.L.I.

HOLDS MEETING  
Members of St. Jude Institute,  
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monthly meeting last Tuesday  
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vington.  
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gational Church to raise funds for  
completing the furnishing of the  
new recreational wing.

A costume dance, the affair is  
expected to attract a large crowd,  
climaxing the 1948-49 holiday fes-  
tivities. There will be prizes, spe-  
cialty dances, games, refreshments,  
and fun for everyone from 14 to  
80, according to the committee in  
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there in early summer, and em-  
bark upon a sheep-raising career.

Mr. Whipple, since his return  
from the Navy two and a half  
years ago, has been raising sheep  
at their place in Decoto, but not  
so extensively as they will when  
they move over to their new ranch  
in the Sierra foothills.

## Williams Family Home for Christmas

With their three children, Rachel,  
Barbara and Eugene, home for  
the holiday, Mr. and Mrs. L. S.  
Williams of Irvington had a most  
enjoyable Christmas. They had  
Christmas dinner at the home of  
his mother, Mrs. Eva Williams of  
Centerville.

Rachel Williams, now doing child  
welfare work in San Francisco,  
will wind up the holiday season  
by motoring to Pasadena with col-  
lege friends to attend the Rose  
Bowl game.

Eugene, student at Cal, expects to  
enter the Agricultural College at  
Davis upon completing his mid-  
term exams in a couple of weeks.

## Christmas Dinner

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ferry of  
Niles were hosts to about twenty  
relatives and friends at a big din-  
ner party on Christmas day. Guests  
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By MARGARET COLE

It seems too good to be true, but  
did you read that news item in  
Tuesday's edition of a certain met-  
ropolitan daily, about the baby boy  
who was born on Christmas Day  
with 'two front teeth?' No kid-  
ding! It's right there on page  
three!

The kids are rather cagey this  
year about admitting their New  
Year resolutions, and I can't  
say that I blame them. After  
looking over the list in "The  
Hatchet" last January, it's easy  
to see why certain people will  
hesitate to commit themselves  
again.

Just think! Duffie resolved not  
to flirt in 'forty-eight! Well, you  
all know what happened to that  
one.

On the other hand there was  
Dan Goularte who resolved to  
keep his girl. Congratulations!

Whatever happened to Mitzi  
Zeisse's determination to learn  
to drive? Lena Horat offered to  
teach her in her father's pick-  
up. No one explained who was  
going to teach Lena.

A shining example is Johnny  
Meeker who announced his inten-  
tion of keeping his eyes open for  
a good-looking girl. Did he? In  
evidence we offer popular, attrac-  
tive Charlene O'Brien.

Merle Runolphson got an at-  
tack of conscience and proclaimed  
that during 'forty-eight he wasn't  
going to argue with his teachers.  
Maybe so, but he sure gives Miss  
Soto a bad time.

Nonie Beck made up her mind  
that in 'forty-eight she would be  
joyful at all times and also try  
harder! At the time it was  
rather difficult to imagine ex-  
actly what she meant by that;  
in fact it's still a puzzle. Try  
harder at what? And did she  
make it?

Laura Medeiros and Georgia  
Laughlin resolved to lengthen their  
skirts. That was too easy girls!  
Try something tough this year.  
Why not start a movement to bring

## Open House At Lewis Home

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lewis en-  
tertained at open house Christmas  
Eve. Those present included: Mr.  
Andrade, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence  
George, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Ber-  
nardo, Mrs. Alice King, Beth and  
Bonnie King, Manuel Goularte,  
Bert Little, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Enos.  
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Mrs. Donald Lemos, Dr. and Mrs.  
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home this Holiday Season  
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back skirts to where they were a  
couple of years ago? You'd earn  
the everlasting gratitude of all of  
us who have perfectly good but  
short stuff hanging in our closets.

If it's in order to make resolu-  
tions for someone else I'd like  
to suggest that Lloyd Auchard  
buy a "new look" coat for him-  
self. Barbara's pink one isn't  
a very good fit.

Joan Halliwell, after what hap-  
pened on a recent disheartening  
Saturday evening, should firmly  
resolve not to ask advice of a cer-  
tain friend (?) of hers.

It's obvious that Myrtle Hernan-  
dez, in order to get the year off to  
a good start, should lose no time  
and spare no effort to "snag" her  
dream man. Who is he? She'll  
tell you if you ask her.

It goes without saying that  
our teachers should try to be  
more broad-minded about Latin  
translations, theorems, dates and  
stuff, and while we're being so  
brash, we might suggest a little  
more liberality with the A's.

I, Margaret Cole, resolve to quit  
picking on Duffie! But then, what  
would this column be without  
Duffie? What is it anyway? No,  
don't answer that.

One more recommendation! Start  
the year off with a bang by being  
sure to attend the first dance of  
forty-nine to be given by the Soph  
Class on January 14.

There are no "national" holi-  
days in the United States, each  
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LAURETTE was dining alone in  
her apartment, while outside  
the tempo of a New Year's Eve cel-  
ebration grew in intensity.

It was quiet, sitting there by can-  
dledlight, a beautiful moment to re-  
flect back over the 12 months just  
ending—except that tonight was so  
crucial! Tonight the vigil would  
end, the problem would resolve it-  
self. But which way?

It was a strange thing they had  
done. Just a year ago tonight,  
while all New York was going mad  
welcoming the New Year with rau-  
cous gaiety, they had been sitting in  
this very room—yes, Harry over  
there in the big arm chair and she,  
Laurette, in the very chair she oc-  
cupied at this moment. "Laurette,"  
he used to call her; not "Laurette,"  
the name everyone else used, but  
"Laurette," the convenient abbrevia-  
tion he had invented.

"I'm a failure, Laurette," he had  
said. "Five years on the same job  
with nothing to show save a thin-  
ning head of hair and an almost  
empty bank account."

Laurette remembered how she  
had tried to comfort him, and  
then the bombshell:

"No, honey," he had said flatly.  
"It's no use. We can't be married,  
for I'd merely be fastening a mil-  
lstone around your neck. I'm leav-  
ing—leaving you right now!"

She had cried, protested, and then  
he had agreed to make a game of  
it. His parting words, still vivid,  
were:

"If you'll wait a year, Laurie,  
dear—a year from tonight. If I've  
succeeded, if I've made something  
of myself by then, I'll be back. A  
year from tonight. If not, well,  
probably you'll never see me  
again."

She still remembered the firm set  
of his shoulders as he walked out  
the door that night, bound he knew  
not where.

She remembered the questions  
their friends had asked. Where was  
Harry? Away on a long trip she  
had replied, at first. Then she had  
ceased to offer excuses, and of  
course the friends stopped asking  
questions.

Only once had there been word of  
him, and then only very indefinite  
news.

"I saw him getting into a cab on  
Market street," Bill Collins had told  
her upon returning from a trip to  
San Francisco. "At least I think it  
was Harry. Saw him only an in-  
stant, though, and I couldn't be  
sure!"

Midnite came, and the noise  
reached a mighty crescendo.

So tonight she was waiting. Only  
God and she and Harry knew how  
important was this New Year's Eve.  
Bill Collins had asked her out for  
the evening but she said no, she  
wasn't feeling well and would stay  
home. Then he asked if he might  
drop around to her apartment and  
she begged off. Bill had given her  
a puzzled look, but only God and  
she and Harry knew.

Laurette washed the dinner  
dishes, brushed her hair and  
straightened up the living room, be-  
cause Harry used to enjoy sitting  
in front of the hearth with his pipe.  
At eleven o'clock there was a  
knock at the door, and Laurette's  
heart jumped. But it was only the  
lady next door, pausing long enough  
to extend the inevitable "Happy  
New Year!"

"What's happy about it?" Lau-  
rette wanted to ask her.

She picked up a book and tried  
to read, but it was no use. Mid-  
night came, and outside the noise  
reached a mighty crescendo.

that moment Laurette suddenly  
realized that Harry had failed her;  
New Year's Eve was over, and  
hadn't kept the rendezvous!  
Then the telephone jangle.  
Laurette leaped to answer.  
"San Francisco calling.  
Windsor," said the operator.  
A long silence, while Laurette  
held her breath. Hadn't Bill thought  
seen Harry in San Francisco? Fin-  
ally the operator came back: "I  
sorry, Miss Windsor, but our line  
have apparently gone out some-  
where. I'll have to call you back."  
Then Laurette had an idea. "Op-  
erator," she asked, "was that call  
addressed just to Miss Windsor?  
Wasn't there a first name?"  
"Why, I guess so," came the re-  
ply. "Yes, here it is—to Miss Lau-  
rette, L-a-u-r-i-e-Windsor. That's you,  
isn't it?"  
"I'll say it is!" Laurette shouted  
gleefully. "But only one person in  
the world ever called me that!"

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